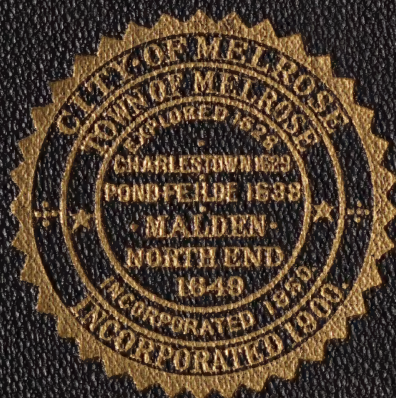


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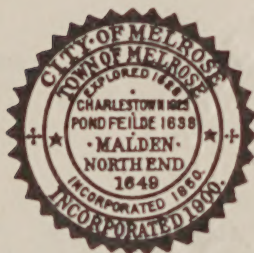


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GOVERNMENT

OF THE
City of Melrose

Mayor
THOMAS L. THISTLE
95 Youle Street

President of the Board of Aldermen
FRANK B. McLAUGHLIN
15 Stevens Road

City Clerk
RAYMOND H. GREENLAW
38 Laurel Street

Aldermen-at-Large
Herman A. Black, 68 Wentworth Road
Walter B. Davis, 16 Sewall Street
Chester M. Cummings, 152 Beech Avenue
Allen L. Giles, 62 Lovell Road

Ward Aldermen

- 1 Frank B. McLaughlin, 15 Stevens Road
2. George E. Perham, 629 Lynn Fells Pkwy.
3. Ronald H. Winde, 52 Wentworth Road
4. Raymond E. Campbell, 75 Sheffield Road
5. Warren E. Taylor, 18 Adams Street
6. Stanley G. Bunker, 159 First Street
7. Lawrence F. Gilligan, 131 Grove Street

6/22/50 City Clerk - Gift

STANDING COMMITTEES of the BOARD OF ALDERMEN, YEAR 1949

Appropriations

Alderman Stanley G. Bunker, Chairman
Aldermen Cummings, Taylor, Black, Giles,
Perham, Davis, Campbell, Winde, Gilligan

Education, Health and Public Welfare

Alderman Ronald H. Winde, Chairman
Aldermen Campbell, Cummings, Gilligan,
Giles

Finance

Alderman Walter B. Davis, Chairman
Aldermen Bunker, Black, Taylor, Perham

Highways

Alderman Lawrence F. Gilligan, Chairman
Aldermen Campbell, Winde, Cummings,
Giles

Legal and Legislative

Alderman George E. Perham, Chairman
Aldermen Black, Davis, Bunker, Taylor

Protection and License

Alderman Raymond E. Campbell, Chairman
Aldermen Cummings, Winde, Gilligan,
Giles

Public Service

Alderman Herman A. Black, Chairman
Aldermen Perham, Bunker, Davis, Taylor

Clerk of Committees

Wesley H. Murray

109 W. Wyoming Avenue

CITY OFFICERS AND OFFICE HOURS

Acting under the authority of Section one hundred and ten A of Chapter forty-one of the General Laws, inserted therein by Chapter two hundred and sixty-five of the Acts of nineteen hundred and forty-seven, the offices hereinafter named shall be open to the public for the transaction of business from 8 A. M. to 4:30 P. M. daily, except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays:

The Offices of the city clerk, city collector, engineer and superintendent of public works, board of assessors, board of health, board of public welfare, city treasurer, city auditor, building commissioner and veterans' services.

Except during the months of July and August and on legal holidays, the aforesaid offices shall be open on the first and third Mondays of every month from 7 P. M. to 9 P. M. and on all other Monday evenings from 7 P. M. to 8 P. M. (Revised Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 56, as amended)

City Clerk

Raymond H. Greenlaw

Assistant City Clerk

E. Maude Brown

City Treasurer and Collector

S. Homer Buttrick

City Auditor

Edward J. Donovan

Engineer and Superintendent of Public Works

Glen S. Weeks

City Solicitor

A. Van Allen Thomason

Mayor's Secretary

Blanche E. Nickerson

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief

Sidney C. Field

Deputy Chief

Office Vacant

Fire Warden

Sidney C. Field

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Captain

George D. McWilliams

Lieutenant

Robert A. Lloyd

Building Commissioner

Malcolm G. Fillmore

Inspector of Plumbing

Fred A. Young

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

Cornelius Thibeault, V. S.

Inspector of Food

Harold R. Munro (Resigned May 31, 1949)

Inspector of Milk and Vinegar

Harold R. Munro (Resigned May 31, 1949)

Sanitary Inspector

John J. Devine

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Wesley H. Murray

Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services

Dr. H. Leslie Trickey

Advisory Board for Veterans' Services

Robert S. Bleyle	Richard H. McIntosh
Rev. Joseph F. Bonner	Harold W. Poole
Frank C. Gardner	Louis J. Savarino
William H. Gibbons	Rev. Chadbourne A. Spring
Daniel A. Harrington	George F. Wallburg
Dr. Ralph D. Leonard	

Assessors

Norman D. MacDonald, Chairman	Term expires 1951
Roger W. Brown	Term expires 1952
Henry L. Restall	Term expires 1950
Lawrence E. Lovejoy, Executive Clerk	

Inspector of Wires

Fred A. Edwards

Board of Health

Dr. Frederick A. Dunham, Chairman	Term expires 1951
Edward L. Kelly	Term expires 1952
Paul E. Troy	Term expires 1950

City Physician

Dr. Frederick A. Dunham

School Physicians

Dr. Frederick A. Dunham
Dr. Thomas M. Hearne
Dr. Francis D. McCarthy

Board of Public Welfare

Roy M. Cushman, Chairman	Term expires 1952
Vivian B. Adams	Term expires 1951
Harry E. Dearborn	Term expires 1951
John W. Huse	Term expires 1950
Gladys E. Menten	Term expires 1952
Mary J. Melville, Superintendent	

Park Commission

Harold W. Poole, Chairman	Term expires 1951
John T. Brady	Term expires 1950
Edgar A. Perry	Term expires 1952
Kenneth G. Swindell	Term expires 1954
Benjamin R. Vaughan	Term expires 1953
Francis J. Meehan, Asst. Superintendent	

Board of Appeal

Melvin R. Jenney, Chairman	Term expires 1952
Harry Brettell	Term expires 1951
William H. Jones	Term expires 1951
Clinton C. Lawry	Term expires 1952
George H. Varney	Term expires 1954
Edwin H. King, Clerk	

Superintendent of Schools

Natt B. Burbank (Resigned July 22, 1949)
Harold T. Rand

School Committee Members

Herbert N. Faulkner, Chairman	Term expires 1952
Charles H. Adams	Term expires 1950
Matthew M. Cox	Term expires 1950
Robert A. Friend	Term expires 1950
John W. Hess	Term expires 1952
Carita H. Lovejoy	Term expires 1950
Kenneth L. Maclachlan	Term expires 1952
Caroline H. Scott	Term expires 1952
Anna C. Washburn	Term expires 1952

Trustees of Memorial Building

Dr. Harold L. Margeson, Chairman	Term expires 1950
Robert T. Boynton	Term expires 1952
Leslie B. Ellis	Term expires 1951
Orlando W. Foss	Term expires 1951
Louis K. McNally	Term expires 1952

Trustees of Public Library

William L. Carney, Chairman	Term expires 1952
Edwin W. Lundquist	Term expires 1950
Dr. Melvin H. Nicholls	Term expires 1951
Hugh Nixon	Term expires 1951
Elisabeth M. Perkins	Term expires 1952
Elinor H. Tibbetts	Term expires 1950
Helen Anderson, Librarian	

Cemetery Committee

William J. McClintock, Chairman	Arthur D. King
Joseph Casey	
Howard O. Milton, Superintendent	

Inspector of Veterans' Graves

Henry F. Weiler

Registrars of Voters

Fergus W. Griffin, Chairman	Term expires 1952
Charles E. Holt	Term expires 1951
Edward J. Murphy	Term expires 1950
Raymond H. Greenlaw, City Clerk	Ex-officio

Assistant Registrars of Voters

Helen K. Barrett	Mary A. McHatton
Katherine D. Boynton	Grace F. Mitchell
Helen D. Brackett	Dell H. Mullin
Mary H. Condell	Frances M. O'Connell
Catherine A. Galvin	Ellen R. Sullivan
Barbara H. Gove	Helen P. Sykes
Lorraine E. Harney	Julia A. Twohig
George W. Jepson, Jr.	Mary R. Winslow

Dog Officer

James W. Cheshire

Planning Board

Edward F. Riley, Chairman	Term expires 1950
Zilpha C. Huntress, Secretary	Term expires 1954
William L. Bailey	Term expires 1953
Robert D. Culver	Term expires 1953
Ralph E. Gott	Term expires 1951
Edward M. Laskey	Term expires 1951
Edward F. Page	Term expires 1952
Francis P. Sammet (Resigned Oct 3, 1949)	
Mary D. Whitney	Term expires 1954
Royal Barry Wills	Term expires 1950

Retirement Board

Edward J. Donovan, Chairman	City Auditor
Martin J. Armstrong, Secretary	Term expires 1950
Robert L. Hutchinson	Term expires 1952

Fence Viewers

Clyde O. Bailey	Arthur L. Marr
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Constables

George D. McWilliams	
Wesley H. Murray	
	Guy A. Storer

Keeper of the Lock-up

George D. McWilliams

REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEAL

To the Honorable Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with provisions of Chapter XXIX of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Melrose I have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Board of Appeal for the Year 1949.

The Board of Appeal organized for the Year 1949 electing Mr. Melvin R. Jenney, Chairman of the Board, and Mr. Edwin H. King, Secretary. The other members of the Board were

George Varney
William H. Jones

Clinton Lawry
Herbert Brettell

The Year 1949 was not a very active one for the Board of Appeal from a point of view of the number of cases heard. However, there was considerable interest shown in the case of the Super Market on Melrose Street. This case held the interest of the citizens of the entire City for a period of two months, and the Board deliberated for over a month before it made its decision in this case.

There have been very few hearings of any nature in this City where the feeling ran so high on both sides. The array of legal talent and the amount of testimony would have done justice to a case before the Supreme Court.

The Chairman of the Board, Mr. Melvin R. Jenney, did a very fine job in conducting the proceedings. This case has now gone before the Planning Board and the Board of Aldermen.

The other cases before the Board were for the most part of a routine nature, but each case was given the same careful consideration found in all the proceedings of the Board since its inception in 1924.

The number of cases acted on and decisions rendered are as follows:

Appeals granted	8
Appeals denied	<u>7</u>
Total	15

Respectfully submitted

BOARD OF APPEAL

Edwin H. King
Secretary

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
The Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Board of Assessors respectfully submits the following report
of the Assessing Department for the year ending December 31, 1949:

Taxable Valuation of the City:

Real Estate	\$ 38,640,950.00
Personal Estate	<u>3,630,800.00</u>
Total	\$ 42,271,750.00

Tax Rate \$42.00 per \$1000.00

BUDGET

City Appropriations:

To be included in the Tax Levy	\$ 2,275,091.66	
From Available Funds	<u>505,779.95</u>	
Total Appropriations		\$ 2,780,871.61

State Assessments - 1949 Estimates:

State Audit of Municipal Accounts	\$ 1,624.72	
State Examination of Retirement System	130.54	
Smoke Inspection Service	509.54	
Charles River Basin	<u>5,444.90</u>	
Metropolitan Parks:		
Reservations	15,603.62	
Nantasket Beach Maintenance	1,180.38	
Boulevards	140.29	
Metropolitan Sewerage:		
North System	45,327.82	
Metropolitan Water	<u>25,431.00</u>	
Total 1949 State Estimates		\$ 95,392.81

State Assessments - 1948 Underestimates:

Smoke Inspection Service	\$ 8.04	
Charles River Basin	1,029.00	
Metropolitan Parks:		
Reservations	2,369.71	
Nantasket Beach Maintenance	154.02	
Boulevards	.01	
Metropolitan Sewerage:		
North System	<u>5,208.97</u>	
Total State Underestimates		\$ 8,769.75

County Assessments - 1949 Estimates:

County Tax	\$ 82,237.70	
Tuberculosis Hospital (Actual)	<u>19,326.54</u>	
Total 1949 County Estimates		\$ 101,564.24

County Assessments - 1948 Underestimates:

County Tax		\$	4,714.47
OVERLAY - 1949		\$	25,008.40
OVERLAY DEFICITS:			
1942	\$	4.00	
1947		621.80	
TOTAL OVERLAY DEFICITS		\$	625.80
TOTAL - ALL APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS		\$	3,016,947.08

LESS DEDUCTIONS

Estimated Receipts - City 1949:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$	101,024.10	
Licenses		5,344.50	
Fines		692.30	
Special Assessments		11,408.93	
General Government		10,003.52	
Protection of Persons and Property		216.61	
Health and Sanitation		19,894.37	
Highways		2,082.74	
Charities		15,224.10	
Old Age Assistance		108,326.36	
Veterans' Benefits		5,813.11	
Schools		7,087.91	
Libraries		102.00	
Recreation		7.25	
Public Services		121,320.27	
Cemeteries		9,539.01	
Interest		2,847.97	
Total 1949 Estimated City Receipts		\$	420,935.05

Estimated Receipts - State 1949

Income Tax	\$	143,167.87	
Corporation Taxes		110,183.87	
Old Age Tax (Meals)		6,346.29	
Increase approved by Commissioner		36,024.00	
Total 1949 Estimated State Receipts		\$	295,722.03

1948 County Overestimate

Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	\$	1,066.55	
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AVAILABLE FUNDS

	\$	505,779.95	
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TOTAL ALL DEDUCTIONS

	\$	1,223,503.58	
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Amount to be Raised by Taxation

	\$	1,793,443.50	
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HOW RAISED:

9015 Polls @ \$2.00		\$	18,030.00
Personal Property \$3,630,800 @ \$	42.00		152,493.60
Real Estate 38,640,950 @	42.00		1,622,919.90
Total Raised		\$	1,793,443.50

A D D E N D U M

YEAR	CENSUS	DWELL-INGS	POLLS	VALUE BUILDINGS	VALUE LAND	TOTAL VAL. REAL ESTATE	VALUE PERSONAL ESTATE	TOTAL VALUA-TION	RATE PER \$1,000	CITY APPRO-PRIATION	SEWER-AGE TAX	OTHER STATE LEVIES	STATE TAX	COUNTY TAX	OVERLAY	TOTAL TAX LEVY	YEAR
1930	23,566	4,912	6,826	25,861,450	7,676,600	33,538,050	2,372,000	35,910,050	33.20	1,288,131.03	18,533.02	26,965.45 4,326.09 419.85	33,600.00 668.32 6,353.30 789.18 260.00	60,722.91 5,300.77	14,101.74	1,451,671.66 *245,806.00	1930
1931	23,712	4,987	7,027	26,265,500	7,792,300	34,057,800	2,480,100	36,537,900	35.20	1,394,583.11	18,525.48	25,998.96 4,619.94 740.70	36,000.00 7,027.00 590.00 665.16	59,803.18 5,631.87	15,978.06	1,570,163.46 *262,948.38	1931
1932	23,783	5,035	7,116	26,678,850	7,887,000	34,565,850	2,225,100	36,820,950	31.80	1,327,235.27 190,057.05	17,334.15	92,873.07	50,797.50 8,893.99	50,847.38 8,893.99	21,674.18	1,659,712.59 *467,458.38	1932
1933	23,534	5,076	7,240	26,649,700	7,931,200	34,580,900	2,108,600	36,689,500	33.60	1,348,025.24 1206,980.62	16,643.37	90,190.89	46,890.00 47,082.90 16,653.34	46,890.00 47,082.90 16,653.34	34,866.13 239.34	1,807,521.83 *553,034.63	1933
1934	23,565	5,432	7,299	26,718,150	7,896,500	34,614,650	2,076,550	36,691,200	33.00	1,356,488.97 161,818.77	15,919.98	83,642.67	52,100.00 51,830.98 15,538.41	52,100.00 51,830.98 15,538.41	27,844.47 4,088.45	1,769,272.70 *543,865.10	1934
1935	24,256	5,455	7,575	26,682,550	7,979,650	34,662,200	2,200,200	36,862,400	36.00	1,472,523.20 158,458.65	15,900.00	86,026.53	53,200.00 53,368.63 14,369.73	53,200.00 53,368.63 14,369.73	22,072.32 211.20	1,776,130.26 *433,933.86	1935
1936	23,924	5,497	7,577	26,544,150	7,966,900	34,511,050	2,145,200	36,656,250	32.00	1,357,988.36 1252,452.98	19,348.97	84,984.35	16,800.00 55,441.81 15,567.21	16,800.00 55,441.81 15,567.21	19,812.19 892.02	1,823,287.89 *635,133.89	1936
1937	23,891	5,674	7,106	27,013,900	7,972,300	34,986,200	2,420,000	37,406,200	33.80	1,416,969.65 1138,894.78	22,612.66	86,408.42	64,400.00 56,912.59 15,608.79	64,400.00 56,912.59 15,608.79	15,889.11 3,167.76	1,820,863.76 *542,322.20	1937
1938	24,050	5,748	7,175	27,619,400	8,089,000	35,708,400	2,807,500	38,515,900	34.40	1,502,168.38 161,646.44	22,916.59	89,157.51	50,440.00 59,058.70 32,760.51	50,440.00 59,058.70 32,760.51	18,876.83 1,084.67	1,838,109.63 *498,212.67	1938
1939	24,670	5,790	7,977	27,584,800	8,189,000	35,773,800	2,726,250	38,500,050	33.80	1,491,463.07 1102,231.21	27,001.39	142,027.68	49,678.46 18,408.73	49,678.46 18,408.73	17,925.87	1,952,776.41 *635,520.72	1939
1940	25,232	5,858	8,191	27,749,950	8,047,250	35,797,200	2,727,800	38,525,000	33.60	1,512,704.20 157,768.78	28,982.80	81,387.41	49,678.46 18,998.84	49,678.46 18,998.84	29,317.13	1,871,317.62 *560,495.62	1940
1941	25,511	5,926	8,281	27,859,050	7,939,600	35,798,650	2,723,450	38,522,100	31.60	1,475,192.60 158,077.51	33,226.90	72,049.39	57,506.55 17,281.83	57,506.55 17,281.83	29,226.58 2,024.83	1,845,071.19 *611,210.83	1941
1942	25,896	5,875	8,486	28,453,600	7,971,250	36,424,850	2,676,750	39,101,600	30.60	1,445,152.91 1104,482.00	30,823.77	71,335.63	91,350.00 48,063.67 17,498.85	91,350.00 48,063.67 17,498.85	27,207.70 1,084.71	1,836,495.24 *623,014.28	1942
1943	26,649	5,887	8,838	28,698,600	7,931,900	36,630,500	2,729,200	39,359,700	28.40	1,385,174.55 179,284.55	31,938.34	64,856.13	30,450.00 43,324.31 10,571.89	30,450.00 43,324.31 10,571.89	17,553.72	1,663,153.49 *527,662.01	1943
1944	27,412	5,885	9,195	28,624,500	8,035,950	36,660,450	2,715,900	39,376,350	29.60	1,402,782.15 1199,898.08	29,159.69	80,378.72	76,351.00 51,223.86 12,302.59	76,351.00 51,223.86 12,302.59	18,051.80	1,870,147.89 *686,339.93	1944
1945	27,971	5,881	9,329	28,671,500	7,909,800	36,581,300	2,806,950	39,387,350	29.60	1,499,942.80 1191,089.31	29,762.25	71,522.56	42,908.00 53,313.34 12,375.71	42,908.00 53,313.34 12,375.71	16,286.28 250.00	1,867,450.25 *682,926.69	1945
1946	27,938	5,880	9,324	28,702,200	7,908,350	36,610,550	2,913,000	39,423,550	31.60	1,560,615.98 1182,790.95	34,052.28	39,113.24	31,600.00 62,376.97 10,001.77	31,600.00 62,376.97 10,001.77	17,480.45 312.40	1,938,344.04 *673,981.86	1946
1947	27,761	5,901	9,089	28,973,700	7,916,800	36,890,500	3,093,950	39,984,450	36.00	1,863,980.44 1257,748.14	43,122.85	43,305.96	31,600.00 76,511.38 14,344.76	31,600.00 76,511.38 14,344.76	15,772.18 94.00	2,346,479.71 *888,909.51	1947
1948	27,754	5,977	9,015	29,736,800	7,961,800	37,698,600	3,365,750	41,064,350	42.00	2,236,368.14 1553,127.10	47,646.33	42,435.28	0.00 68,879.51 14,344.76	0.00 68,879.51 14,344.76	18,248.39 1,153.11	2,982,202.62 *1,239,469.92	1948
1949	27,928	6,076	9,015	30,599,200	8,041,750	38,640,950	3,630,800	42,271,750	42.00	2,275,091.66 1505,779.95	50,536.79	53,625.77	0.00 86,952.17 19,326.54	0.00 86,952.17 19,326.54	25,008.49 625.80	3,016,947.08 1,223,503.58	1949

† From Available Funds
* Receipts

Number of Persons, Partnerships and Corporations ass'd.	6729
Number of Persons assessed for Poll Tax	9015
Number of Motor Vehicle Excises levied	10014
Number of Horses assessed upon	30
Number of Cows assessed upon	0
Number of Dwellings assessed upon	6076

VALUATION OF EXEMPTED PROPERTY

City Property Publicly Used	\$ 394,900.00	\$ 4,496,850.00
City Property Not So Used		103,625.00
Benevolent Institutions	265,750.00	336,400.00
Cemeteries	500.00	23,400.00
Charitable Institutions	5,500.00	39,700.00
Houses of Religious Worship	39,500.00	910,800.00
Literary Institutions	12,500.00	171,600.00
Organizations of War Veterans	3,000.00	18,900.00
Parsonages		44,400.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		17,000.00
	<u>\$ 721,650.00</u>	<u>\$ 6,162,675.00</u>

The following additional assessments were committed:

Motor Vehicle Excise (10014)		\$ 154,723.98
Apportioned Sewer Assessments	\$ 4,003.83	
" Sidewalk "	2,237.50	
" Street "	1,649.50	
" Committed Interest	<u>1,508.45</u>	\$ 9,399.28
Unapportioned Sewer Assessments	\$ 13,006.20	
" Sidewalk "	15,345.51	
" Street "	<u>47,360.49</u>	\$ 75,712.20
Additional Polls (10)		\$ 20.00

During the year 28,837 items were committed to the Collector. Recovery of exemptions amounting to \$200.00 was effected under Section 5A of Chapter 59 of the General Laws.

Respectfully Submitted:

Norman D. MacDonald
Henry L. Rentes
Roger T. Brown
 Board of Assessors

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

of the
CITY OF MELROSE
for the
Year Ending December 31st
1949

Organization of Board
Frederick A. Dunham, M.D., Chairman
Paul E. Troy, Atty., Edward L. Kelly, Members
Helen F. Adams, Agent

School Physicians

Thomas M. Hearne, M.D. Francis D. McCarthy, M.D.
Frederick A. Dunham, M.D.

Public Health Nurses

Johanna P. M. Versteeg, P.H.N., Supervisor
Genevieve Creeley, P.H.N.
Elsie M. Ashmead, R.N., School Nurse

Inspectors

Plumbing	Fred A. Young
Sanitary	John J. Devine
Animals	Cornelius Thibeault, D.V.S.

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Mass.

Gentlemen:

We submit herewith a review of the health conditions in the city and a statement of the acts of the Board of Health for the year ending December 31, 1949.

CHANGES IN PERSONNEL -

During the year Mr. Harold R. Munro tendered his resignation as Food and Milk Inspector to become effective June 1, 1949. Mr. Munro served most commendably in this capacity for a period of 17 years. His conscientious and untiring effort did much to maintain a local high standard of public health.

On June 1st 1949, Mr. John J. Devine was appointed by the board to the position of Sanitary Inspector of the City.

Mr. Edward L. Kelly was reappointed to the Board by the Mayor for another three year term.

RECOMMENDATIONS -

(1) A more adequate office, a new laboratory and clinic space is most urgently needed. At present only one room is available for a staff of seven which results in untold crowding and confusion. There is no laboratory space for the Sanitary Inspector and his examinations are being made in a laboratory outside the city. Space for the well baby and immunization clinic would be most desirable. These clinics are at present being held in the Aldermanic Chamber.

(2) It is also recommended that improved health rooms in the schools with washing facilities be made available for an improved school health program.

(3) City wide rodent control program is recommended in view of the marked success in eliminating this health hazard and nuisance as proven by previous conducted rodent control measures.

SCHOOL HEALTH -

The school health program covers medical examinations and nursing in the eleven public and two parochial schools with an approximate population of 4,173 pupils. It is anticipated that money will be appropriated for a proposed dental clinic. This clinic as proposed would be

under the supervision of the board of health and would offer sodium fluoride prophylaxis to all school children. Where financial need is shown this clinic would also supplement the Forsythe Dental Clinic by providing emergency treatment and remedial dental service to school children of Melrose until such time as all remedial work could be adequately fulfilled at the Forsythe Clinic. This program would also include dental health education through the school curriculum as well as the various P.T.A.'s. regarding regular and careful tooth cleaning and proper diet.

During the past year, the more intensified, spaced school medical examinations proved most satisfactory to the parents, school children and school physicians as well. These medical examinations are given to determine the child's physical status, his fitness to get the most out of his school education, his health needs and to provide a means of health education. It is anticipated that a proposed improved medical examination folder will be adopted in the near future.

Upon completion of the physical examination, teacher-nurse conferences are held for the benefit of the teacher, nurse and child.

The new hearing and visual testing reveals many defects which if corrected now may prevent deafness and poor vision in later life. Special teachers are giving these tests, with the public health nurses doing the follow up visits to the homes and explaining the findings of these tests.

A complete list of handicapped children (children with cerebral palsy, torticollis, history of rheumatic fever, cardiac, infantile paralysis deformities, vision and hearing, etc.) is kept at the Board of Health office and kept up to-date by the nurses through contacts with children and parents.

Every attempt is made, in the case of incorrecable defects to make adjustments within the school in order to minimize such impairments.

SANITATION -

NUISANCES - Unclean premises, garbage strewn over yards, illegal dumping and disposal of garbage, the keeping of hens and horses were the most frequent complaints. Constant vigilance is required to keep such complaints at a minimum. Although 1949 was a very dry season which was not conducive to mosquito breeding, the air-borne spraying for the control of mosquitoes resulted in no complaints of this nuisance. It is anticipated that this program will be carried on. The present board of health regulations are in the process of revision and it is hoped that better control of such nuisances as the keeping of hens, horses, etc. will be gained.

BAKERIES - Our bakeries received the required semi-annual inspections, and objectionable practices were called to the owners attention. In a few instances, re-inspections have been necessary where definite corrective measures had to be instituted.

MILK - All milk sold in the city is pasteurized, thus protecting the community from the several milk borne diseases. All milk supplies continue to be of a high grade.

SODA FOUNTAINS - Sanitary inspections of restaurants, drug stores, and stores selling food and soft drinks consumed on the premises were made and in general found to meet standard requirements.

SEWERS - We have continued in our program to abolish cesspools whenever possible and force sewer connections in order to materially add to the sanitary conditions of the city.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES -

POLIOMYELITIS - During an extremely high national incidence of poliomyelitis during the past fall, 25 cases and 2 deaths were reported from the disease in this city. Expenses for hospitalization of all cases were paid by the National Foundation for Poliomyelitis which resulted in no extra financial burden on the city.

MEASLES - We had an unusual number of cases during the past year, in the presence of a wide spread epidemic.

WHOPPING COUGH - We had 33 cases of whooping cough reported this year as compared to 56 in 1947. Those immunizations given by the board of health will include protection against whooping cough as well as diphtheria and tetanus henceforth.

DIPHTHERIA - Not a single case of diphtheria was reported during the year. 95% of all children were immunized against this disease before entering the first grade of school. Our goal in this respect is 100%.

LOBAR PNEUMONIA - There has been a marked decrease in the incidence of lobar pneumonia as a result of the improved antibiotic treatment.

CHICKENPOX - As a result of a mild epidemic of chickenpox, there were a total of 195 cases reported.

RABIES CONTROL - The program for the control of rabies was held again this year as usual. Out of 1,772 dogs licensed, 381 dogs were immunized. This represents a slight increase over last year but still not satisfactory so far as affording adequate protection to either the dogs or our citizens. The cost of the program was essentially self supporting.

TYPHOID FEVER - There were no cases reported during 1949.

TUBERCULOSIS -

No. cases pul. T.B. on register Jan. 1, 1949....	76	
New cases.....	<u>4</u>	80
Moved into city.....		<u>8</u>
Total.....		88
Moved out of city.....	5	
Died.....	<u>3</u>	
Placed on inactive list.....	<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>
No. cases on register Dec. 31, 1949.....		80
No. cases of other forms T.B.....	2	
Moved out of city.....	1	
No. contacts to known cases.....	110	

The nurses made 110 home visits to 80 known or suspected cases of tuberculosis. They also made 122 home visits to 110 contacts. Wherever necessary all of the suspects and contacts had a chest X-ray.

The average age of the new cases was 59. The average age at death was 69 years. The oldest being 74 years and the youngest 2 years.

Request was made during the year to the State for a mass chest X-ray survey of all citizens of Melrose. We are merely waiting the availability of equipment and personnel.

Respectfully submitted,

F. J. Durham / *W. A.* Board of
Paul E. Iron Health of
Edward L. Kelly Melrose

TABLE I
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	1949	Totals 1949	1948	Totals 1948
Total Appropriation.....		\$30,915.80		\$25,555.00
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
Salaries & Wages.....		\$19,398.28		\$18,058.74
Chairman.....	\$2,300.00		\$2,017.14	
Board Members.....	120.00		112.61	
Clerk.....	2,468.28		2,175.00	
Substitute Clerk.....	35.00		75.00	
School Physicians.....	1,425.00		1,144.00	
Pub. Health & School Nurses....	7,225.00		6,950.00	
Inspector of Animals.....	675.00		675.00	
Sanitary Inspector.....	3,000.00		2,759.99	
Inspector of Plumbing.....	2,150.00		2,150.00	
Other Expenses.....		1,504.78		1,373.92
Telephone.....	177.09		111.66	
Car Maintenance-Plumbing Insp..	89.84		165.71	
Car Allowance-Public Health				
Work @ 8¢ per mile.....	863.74		779.80	
Postage & Express.....	38.28		61.68	
Office Supplies.....	119.10		99.72	
Sundries.....	216.72		155.25	
Tuberculosis.....		6,331.84		4,189.50
Outside Aid.....	372.10		379.10	
Board & Supplies in Hospital..	5,949.74		3,810.00	
Ambulance.....	10.00			
Quarantine & Contagious Disease.....		420.71		723.39
Board & Supplies in Hospital...	183.00		237.50	
Sundries & Serv. Transfers.....	232.71		485.89	
Care & Disposal of Stray Animals.....		462.75		377.62
Immunization of Dogs.....		192.12		189.11
Mosquito Suppression.....		1,491.50		.
Transp.-Children Dental Clinic.....		180.00		.
Premature Babies.....		152.21		.
Total Expenditures.....		\$30,134.19		\$24,912.28
Revenues of Board of Health*.....		\$ 2,365.92		\$ 2,388.40
Licenses and Permits.....	180.00		179.50	
Reimbursements.....	1,995.42		2,027.90	
Dog Clinic.....	190.50		181.00	
*Not available for use.....				
County Tax.....		\$19,326.54		\$13,278.21

TABLE II

DEATHS IN MELROSE (INCLUDING MELROSE HOSPITAL) CLASSIFIED AS TO CAUSE

		MALES	FEMALES
I	Infectious and Parasitic Diseases.....	2	1
II	Cancer and Other Tumors.....	28	35
III	Rheumatism, Diseases of Nutrition & of the Endocrine Glands, Other Gen. Diseases & Avitaminoses.....	1	1
IV	Diseases of the Blood & Blood-forming Organs.....	1	1
VI	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs.....	22	31
VII	Diseases of the Circulatory System.....	73	73
VIII	Diseases of the Respiratory System.....	6	7
IX	Diseases of the Digestive System.....	1	2
X	Diseases of the Genito-urinary System.....	3	3
XIV	Congenital Malformations.....	0	3
XV	Diseases Peculiar to the First Year of Life.....	3	3
XVI	Senility.....	2	2
XVII	Violent or Accidental Deaths.....	7	5
XVIII	Ill-defined & Unknown Causes.....	0	0

There were 19 stillbirths in 1949 in Melrose

Deaths of all persons in Melrose.....	Males.....	149
(exclusive of stillbirths)	Females...	167
	Total....	316

There were 9 stillbirths to Melrose residents in 1949

Deaths of all Melrose residents.....	Males.....	149
(exclusive of stillbirths)	Females...	150
	Total....	299

Of these deaths, children under one year.....	10
Persons over sixty five years.....	194

TABLE III

INFANT MORTALITY TO ALL MELROSE PARENTS

Year	Live Births	Deaths of Infants under one year	Infant mortality per 1000 Live Births
1944	425	8	18.8
1945	447	13	28.3
1946	495	8	16.1
1947	540	13	23.5
1948	497	8	16.1
	5 year average		20.5
1949	484	10	20.2

Children born in Melrose to Melrose parents.....	302
(Including 3 stillbirths)	
Children born elsewhere to Melrose parents.....	191
(Including 6 stillbirths)	
Children born in Melrose to non-residents.....	511
(Including 10 stillbirths)	
Total (Including stillbirths).....	1004

POPULATION JANUARY 1, 1949 - 27,928

	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
Apparent death rate per 1,000 population	10.	9.9	10.2	10.1	11.5	11.3

TABLE V
CASES & DEATHS OF CERTAIN DISEASES FOR TEN YEARS

	Diph- theria		Scarlet Fever		Typhoid Fever		Measles		Lobar Pneu- monia		Polio- mye- litis		Whoop- ing Cough		Pul. & Miliary		Tuberculosis & Menin- geal		Other Forms	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
1940	1	0	22	0	0	0	39	0	61	3	0	0	52	0	12	4	1	1	2	0
1941	0	0	65	0	0	0	174	0	37	6	4	0	51	0	9	4	0	0	0	1
1942	0	0	58	0	0	0	157	0	45	6	0	0	12	0	13	2	0	0	2	0
1943	4	0	67	0	0	0	396	0	23	6	1	0	43	0	7	6	0	0	0	1
1944	1	0	99	0	1	0	251	0	25	7	2	0	6	0	10	5	0	0	1	0
1945	3	0	94	0	0	0	17	0	6	0	2	0	38	0	10	8	0	0	1	1
1946	1	0	23	0	0	0	231	0	12	2	0	0	39	0	8	8	0	0	0	0
1947	1	0	11	0	0	0	146	1	9	2	1	0	56	0	5	4	1	0	0	0
1948	1	0	9	0	1	0	166	0	12	0	1	0	19	0	9	5	0	0	1	2
1949	0	0	19	0	0	0	414	0	1	0	25	2	33	0	4	4	0	0	0	0

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF NURSING

Board of Health,
Melrose 76, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the nursing report for the year 1949.

The objectives of public health nursing are primarily of a preventive nature; to teach the principles of healthful living in families and schools; to prevent diseases and to aid in the correction of remedial defects.

Twelve clinics were held during 1949. Dr. Frederick A. Dunham, Chairman of the Board of Health administered 159 inoculations to babies and pre-school children. The cards sent to all babies who celebrated their first birthday have met with a most favorable reply. 95% of the children entering school this year had been immunized. We are anticipating, in the near future, a 100% protection through immunizations for diphtheria-whooping cough-tetanus by the time our children enter school. The City of Melrose was fortunate in not having a single case of diphtheria during the year 1949.

49 children were immunized for whooping cough
and diphtheria
12 children were given the booster injection
62 children of the first and second grades in
the schools were immunized for diphtheria

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL -

The nurses made 107 home visits to 104 cases of communicable diseases.

There were 25 cases of poliomyelitis resulting in two deaths. A few light cases of scarlet fever. Mumps and chickenpox were on a low level. An epidemic of measles started in January and continued through March.

TUBERCULOSIS PROGRAM -

There were 80 cases of pulmonary tuberculosis and one other form on the register during 1949.

110 home visits were made to 80 tuberculosis cases.
122 home visits were made to 110 contacts of which
62 were X-rayed.

SCHOOL HEALTH PROGRAM -

School nursing is rendered in the eleven public schools and two parochial schools. The school physicians were assisted by the nurses with 2,676 physical examinations. 167 regular examinations in the High School with 495 special examinations, 1,280 regular examinations in the elementary schools with 734 special examinations. 168 parents of the first and second grade pupils were present. The physical examinations are made to determine the pupil's physical status and his health needs. The defects found by the school physician are referred to the family physician for his consideration.

The nurses held 37 conferences with the teachers after the physical examinations of each grade.

988 visits to schools, 20304 pupils interviewed
3664 teachers interviewed, 848 home visits for illness and correction of defects
921 pupils tested for hearing at St. Mary's
106 pupils retested for hearing at St. Mary's
66 pupils tested for vision at St. Mary's
6 pupils retested for vision at St. Mary's
139 notices sent home

Financial assistance with the correction of defects was received from the Lyons Club, Salvation Army and the Ames Fund. A census taken, brought to light, that there are 129 children in Melrose who have been placed on the handicapped list for the State. All these children are supervised by our department to make sure that they receive the necessary care not only physically but emotionally as well.

GENERAL PROGRAM -

- 14 visits to boarding, lodging and convalescent homes
All met the requirements of the general laws
- 185 visits in behalf of child welfare
- 848 visits in behalf of school children
- 232 visits in behalf of tuberculosis control
- 113 visits in behalf of communicable and non-communicable
disease control
- 84 visits were made in behalf of social welfare and not
at home calls

Two lectures on "Public Health Nursing" of the official agency were given to classes of student nurses at the Melrose Hospital by Miss Johanna P. M. Versteeg.

The Public Health Nursing Service of the Board of Health wishes to extend its sincere thanks to the District Health Office of the State, the local Tuberculosis Association, the School Officials, the Red Cross Nursing Service and the Melrose Hospital for their generous cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna P. M. Versteeg

Johanna P. M. Versteeg, P.H.N.
Supervisor of Nursing.

REPORT OF THE SANITARY INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health,
City of Melrose 76, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Sanitary Inspector herewith respectfully submits his annual report for the year 1949:

INSPECTION OF MILK

INSPECTION:

Pasteurizing Plants.....	9
Dairies within city limits.....	2
Ice Cream Plants.....	11

SAMPLES COLLECTED:

Market Milk.....	142
Grade "A" Milk.....	37
Homogenized Milk.....	70
Special Grades.....	42
Cream.....	7

LABORATORY REPORT:

Chemical analysis of milk and cream.....	271
(found below standard, O)	
Bacteriological examination of milk and cream.....	298
Phosphatase test.....	298
(positive tests, O)	

DAILY RETAIL SALES MILK PRODUCTS (Dealers Declaration)

Pasteurized Milk.....	14,263 qts.
Certified Pasteurized Milk...	30 qts.
Cream.....	603 qts.

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Milk and Oleomargarine, stores and dealers.....	158
Pasteurizing Plants.....	2
Ice Cream Manufacturing Permits.....	2
Ice Cream Sales Permits.....	108

GEOMETRICAL AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1949

GRADE "A" MILK

Dealer	Milk Fat	Plate Count
State Standard	4.00	10,000
Gilman Bros.....	4.20	1,500
Herlihy Bros.....	4.40	1,000
Hoods, H.P.&Sons.....	4.25	1,000
Kiley Farm.....	4.34	560
McAdams, J. F. & Bros.....	4.33	840
Parker, J. E.....	4.15	920
Prescott, J. B. Co.....	4.42	760
Seven Oaks Dairy.....	4.58	2,000
Spear, Clinton W.....	4.41	1,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc.....	4.14	1,500
Whiting Milk Co.....	4.23	1,500

GEOMETRICAL AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1949

MARKET AND HOMOGENIZED MILK

Dealer State Standard	Milk Fat 3.35	Plate Count 40,000
Homogenized:		
Brennan, Horace.....	3.65	5,000
Buttrick, David.....	4.19	770
Bucci, Amelia.....	3.73	4,000
Cherry Valley Dairy.....	3.80	16,000
Cummings, B. L., Inc.....	3.91	3,000
Fallon, W. J. & Sons.....	4.12	3,000
Hanley & Son.....	3.97	1,000
Herlihy Bros., Inc.....	3.75	3,000
Hoods, H. P. & Sons, Inc.....	3.93	3,000
McAdams, J. F. & Bros.....	3.75	3,000
Prescott, J. B. Co.....	3.85	3,000
Spear, Clinton W.....	4.05	5,000
Simmons, Charles L.....	3.92	6,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc.....	3.84	3,000
United Farmers of New England.....	3.77	4,000
Weiss Farm.....	3.80	2,000
Whiting Milk Co.....	3.80	2,500
Deerfoot Farms Milk Co.....	3.90	2,000
Gilman Dairy.....	3.60	1,000
Market:		
Brennan, Horace.....	3.78	1,800
Buttrick, David.....	4.19	1,000
Bucci, Amelia.....	3.87	5,000
Cherry Valley Dairy.....	3.75	4,000
Cummings, B. L., Inc.....	3.88	2,000
Fallon, W. J. & Sons.....	4.00	4,500
Hanley & Son.....	3.94	2,000
Herlihy Bros., Inc.....	3.75	1,300
Howard Farm.....	3.77	1,300
Hoods, H. P. & Sons, Inc.....	3.77	3,000
Kiley Farm.....	3.85	3,000
McAdams, J. F. & Bros.....	3.87	3,000
Parker, J. E.....	4.09	2,000
Prescott, J. B. Co.....	3.86	2,000
Quinn Farm Dairy.....	3.77	3,000
Seven Oaks Dairy.....	4.10	5,000
Simmons, Charles L.....	3.90	2,500
Spear, Clinton W.....	4.16	4,000
Sunnyhurst Dairy, Inc.....	3.84	8,000
United Farmers of New England.....	3.65	2,000
Weiss Farm.....	3.96	740
Whiting Milk Co.....	3.83	2,500
Deerfoot Farms Milk Co.....	3.93	1,500
Brookside (First National Stores)...	3.92	1,000
Gilman Dairy.....	4.00	2,100
Gilgun Dairy.....	3.60	4,000

INSPECTION OF FOOD

INSPECTIONS:

Common Victuallers.....	155
Stores-Lord's Day and Food.....	98
Stores-Drug.....	36
Bakeries.....	53
Bakery permits issued.....	1
Bakeries ordered closed.....	1
Complaints investigated.....	78
Nuisances abated.....	9
Bacteriological examination of eating utensils (Common Victuallers and soda fountains).....	465
(found above 100 plate count.....)	142

Foods Condemned as Unfit for Human Consumption

Fruits and vegetables.....	1 lb.
Meat and fish.....	97 lbs.
Flour.....	50 lbs.
Corn Starch.....	50 lbs.
Salads.....	3 lbs.
Candy.....	6 lbs.
Butter and cheese.....	11 lbs.
Cookies.....	13 pkgs.
Can goods.....	82 cans (water soaked)
Tonic.....	42 cases(" ")

AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1949

COMMON VICTUALLERS LICENSES

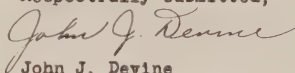
	Bacterial Count			Average of three Counts	Scoring Grade
	Dishes	Glasses	Silverware		
Federal Standard (not over)	100	100	100	100	
John's Grille	56	10	40	28	97.5
Emerson's Grille	19	66	36	35	96.5
Schopell's	170	110	97	120	80.0
Farley's Restaurant	11	4	14	9	95.5
Mt. Hood Golf Club	110	130	20	66	93.0
Hopkins (McLaughlin)	76	95	130	97	94.7
Colstone Lunch	11	Paper S.	24	16	95.5
Murray and Butler's	32	18	15	21	90.0
William's Restaurant	47	58	150	74	91.3
Hendy Coffee Shop	52	Paper S.	50	51	97.0
Kelly's Ice Cream	29	69	14	30	96.8
Colonial Lunch	110	440	77	160	78.5
Stearns & Hill, Inc.	31	43	40	37	90.5
Larry's Lunch	120	270	94	140	75.3
Melrose Donut Shop	100	120	36	76	98.0
Wyoming Lunch	39	150	48	66	93.4
Regent Delicatessen	12	12	19	14	93.5
Woolworth, F. W.	19	8	15	13	98.0
The Lobster Shop	97	100	71	90	93.1
Hipson, Leslie B.	59	30	22	34	93.5

AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1949

FOUNTAIN SERVICE STORES

	Bacterial Count		Average of Counts
	<u>Dishes & Glasses</u>	<u>Silverware</u>	
Federal Standard (not over)	100	100	
Berston's Pharmacy	250	770	440
Haslam's Pharmacy	74	8	24
Grove Pharmacy	Paper Service	5	5
Emerson Pharmacy	13	3	6
York's Pharmacy	190	55	100
Brigham's Pharmacy	40	6	15
Franklin Spa	Paper Service	10	10
Hill & Co.	Paper Service	11	11
Bells Pharmacy	5	6	5
Austin's Pharmacy	20	4	9
Barcell, Louis	55	48	51
Milton's Pharmacy	9	9	9

Respectfully submitted,


John J. Devine
Sanitary Inspector.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

1949

Permits issued to do plumbing in new buildings.....	100
Permits issued to do plumbing in old buildings.....	216
Number of permits, work approved.....	207
Number of permits, work not completed December 31, 1949.....	85
Number of new plumbing fixtures installed.....	1160
Number of visits of inspection.....	434
Number of water tests.....	117
Number of new buildings connected to sewer.....	73
Number of new buildings connected to cesspools.....	20
Number of old buildings connected to sewer.....	56
Number of dwellings in city (including business buildings with living quarters connected to sewer).....	5858
Number of dwellings in city not connected to sewer.....	436

Respectfully submitted,

Fred A. Young
Fred A. Young,
Inspector of Plumbing.

REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

The Board of Health,
City of Melrose 76, Mass.

Gentlemen:

As Inspector of Animals for the City of Melrose, I herewith submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1949.

Thirty-nine (39) dogs were examined and quarantined for rabies observation as having inflicted injury by biting or scratching persons. There were no cases of rabies in the city this year.

Twenty-one (21) dogs were consigned to residents of Melrose from out of state without the proper health certificates required by law and said dogs were either quarantined or immunized for rabies as provided by that statute.

All barns housing cattle, horses, sheep, or goats were inspected and found to be in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Thibeault,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMISSIONER

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

For the year 1949 there were Three Hundred and Ninety-one building permits issued by this department. The total value of permits issued amounts to One Million Two Hundred and Sixty-one Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy-one Dollars (\$1,261,671). Building permits issued in the City of Melrose:

January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949

<u>Classification</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Single Dwelling	95	\$ 659,000.00
Foundations	4	2,700.00
Alterations to Dwellings	75	47,100.00
Other Alterations	13	124,450.00
Shingling	144	43,064.00
Garage	43	25,657.00
Fire Repairs	4	6,100.00
Professional Golf Shop	1	3,500.00
Metal Building	1	400.00
Field House	1	35,000.00
School	1	300,000.00
Conversions:		
One to Two Family	3	3,000.00
Tenement to Six Apartments	1	7,500.00
Barn to Single Dwelling	1	2,500.00
Single Dwelling to Funeral Home	1	500.00
Demolitions	3	1,200.00

391 Permits-\$1,261,671.00

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm G. Fillmore

Building Commissioner

REPORT OF CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

CITY OF MELROSE CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Cemetery Committee hereby submits a report of the Cemetery Department for the year ending December 31, 1949.

The usual routine of cemetery work has been carried out although the extreme dry weather caused much of the grass within the grounds to become withered and unsightly. Much of this grass came back in the fall although some of it had to be repaired and reseeded.

During the year twenty of the old lots have been placed in perpetual care, for which we received \$3,520.00, and this money has been deposited in the Cemetery Trust Fund.

Considerable work was done toward the improvement of the roads. Another section of bituminous concrete was laid and incidental drainage work done. The greater part of the old gravel roads were treated with bitumen in order to harden them, and these roads will eventually be resurfaced with permanent bituminous concrete. Reconstruction which necessitated excavation or heavy fill was postponed until such time as we can obtain the use of the Public Works heavy equipment.

Installation of the new iron gates was postponed until spring when we intend to go ahead with this project, and hope to have the work completed before Memorial Day.

Nothing was done in regard to the new office building, as the Committee was advised by competent authority to hold off until the coming year in hope of saving on materials. It is planned to call for bids for this work in the spring and, if the work can be done at a reasonable cost, we will proceed with this project.

The various departments and officials have been very cooperative, and the Committee extends its thanks for these services.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. McIntosh.
Joseph Casey.
Arthur D. King

January 1, 1950

The Cemetery Committee

DETAILS OF APPROPRIATIONS, TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES
CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Year Ending December 31, 1949

Appropriations and Transfers:

Maintenance: Salaries & Wages:			
Appropriation.	\$26,610.70		
Order 8470	300.00		
Refunds.	8.57	\$26,919.27	
Maintenance: Other Expenses		4,800.00	
Holidays.		807.84	
Repair & Construct Roads & Drains, Order 7404:			
Balance from 1948.	\$ 992.20		
Order 8502	5,000.00	5,992.20	
Pond Filling & Draining, Orders 7515, 7515-A:			
Balance from 1948.		491.99	
Grave Liners.		3,200.00	
Purchase of Gates, Order 8501		1,200.00	
			\$43,211.30

Expenditures:

Maintenance: Salaries & Wages	\$26,919.27	
Maintenance: Other Expenses	4,586.76	
Holidays.	718.88	
Repair & Construct Roads & Drains, Order 7404	1,464.93	
Pond Filling & Draining, Orders 7515, 7515-A.	408.02	
Grave Liners.	2,175.10	
		36,272.96

Unexpended Balance:

To Revenue of 1949:			
Maintenance: Other Expenses.	\$ 13.24		
Holidays	88.96		
Grave Liners	1,024.90	\$ 1,127.10	
To 1950:			
Repair & Const. Roads & Drains, Order 7404	\$ 4,527.27		
Pond Filling & Draining, Orders 7515, 7515-A	83.97		
Purchase of Gates.	1,200.00	5,811.24	\$ 6,938.34

CEMETERY TRUST FUND, INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance from 1948	\$ 4,740.06	
Income, 1949.	7,409.06	\$12,149.11
Pay rolls.	\$ 6,227.52	
Bills.	357.06	6,584.57
Balance to 1950		\$ 5,564.54

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS & EXPENDITURES

Receipts for Departmental Expenditures:

Appropriations and Transfers	\$43,211.30	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	12,149.11	\$55,360.41

Departmental Expenditures:

From Appropriations and Transfers.	\$36,272.96
From Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account	6,584.57

Unexpended Balance:

To Revenue of 1949	1,127.10	
To 1950: Appropriation Accounts.	\$ 5,811.24	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income A/c	5,564.54	11,375.78
		\$55,360.41

Total Net Cash Receipts	\$22,792.07	
Credits, Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	<u>7,409.06</u>	\$30,201.13
Net Expenditures: Appropriation Accounts	\$34,391.44	
Cemetery Trust Fund, Income Account.	<u>6,584.57</u>	<u>40,976.01</u>
Expenditures over Receipts.		\$10,774.88

CASH RECEIPTS

Interments.		\$ 3,969.00
Foundations		1,696.06
Sale of Lots:		
Department	\$ 2,206.50	
City Collector	<u>24.00</u>	2,230.50
Sale of Graves.	\$ 3,510.00	
Less Refunds	<u>20.00</u>	3,490.00
Perpetual Care:		
Department	\$ 7,546.00	
City Collector	<u>1.00</u>	
	\$ 7,547.00	
Less Refunds	<u>30.00</u>	7,517.00
Annual Care		629.52
Miscellaneous		905.00
Grave Liners.		<u>2,365.00</u>
Total Net Cash Receipts for 1949.		<u>\$22,792.07</u>

To the Cemetery Committee,
Melrose,
Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The following is the report of the Superintendent of Wyoming Cemetery for the year ending December 31, 1949:

Interments:

Adults.	183
Children, 12 years or under	18
Cremated remains.	<u>11</u>
Total for 1949	212
Total number to January 1, 1950.	14,907

Sale of Lots:

Sold during the year.	12
Total number sold to January 1, 1950.	2,498

Sale of Graves:

Sold during the year.	88
Total number sold to January 1, 1950.	4,190

Number of Lots under Perpetual Care. 1,766

Number of Single Graves under Perpetual Care 2,653

Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1950,
Regular, Section D, H and 2 121

Number of Lots available for sale January 1, 1950,
in Section 4. 74

Old Lots placed in Perpetual Care. 20

Respectfully submitted,

Howard O. Milton.
Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE CITY AUDITOR

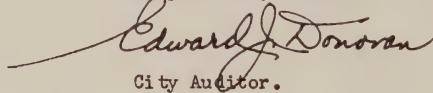
To His Honor, the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen:

Gentlemen:

I submit, herewith, the Annual Report of the City Auditor for the Year ended December 31, 1949.

I have examined the several Trust Funds of the Treasurer-Collector as custodian and the Trust Funds of the Trustees of the Public Library as custodians together with all securities, coupons and Savings Bank Books. All income for the year was properly accounted for and all expenditures were properly supported by vouchers.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Edward J. Donovan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

City Auditor.

FINANCES

The assessed valuation of the City

January 1, 1949 was:

Real Estate

Personal Property

\$38,640,950.00

3,630,800.00

Total

\$42,271,750.00

Increase in valuation from January 1, 1948

\$1,107,200.00

Number of dwellings January 1, 1949

6,076

Number of Polls January 1, 1949

9,015

Population January 1, 1949

27,928

Rate of Taxation for each \$1000.00 of
valuation January 1, 1949

\$ 42.00

Appropriations:

City Budget

\$2,227,356.35

Revenue Orders

47,735.31

\$2,275,091.66

County Tax

82,237.70

County Tuberculosis Hospital Tax

19,326.54

Charles River Basin Tax

5,444.90

Metropolitan Park Tax

16,924.29

Metropolitan Sewer Tax

45,327.82

Metropolitan Water Tax

25,431.00

Smoke Inspection Service Tax

509.54

State Audit of Municipal Accounts Tax

1,624.72

State Examination of Retirement System Tax

130.54

196,957.05

Overlays for Abatements 1942

4.00

Overlays for Abatements 1947

621.80

Overlays for Abatements 1949

25,008.40

25,634.20

State and County Underestimates 1948

13,484.22

2,511,167.13

Less:

Estimated Receipts:

Income Taxes

143,167.87

Corporation Taxes

110,183.87

Old Age Assistance (Meal) Tax

6,346.29

Additional Income and Corporation Taxes

36,024.00

(Approved by Commissioner)

City Accounts

420,935.05716,657.08

County Overestimate 1948

1,066.55717,723.63

\$1,793,443.50

Amount to be raised by taxation as follows:

9015 Polls @ \$2.00 each

18,030.00

Personal Property Taxes - Valuation

\$3,630,800.00 @ \$42.00 per thousand

152,493.60

Real Estate Taxes - Valuation

\$38,640,950.00 @ \$42.00 per thousand

1,622,919.90

\$1,793,443.50

SCHEDULE OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

- None -

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1949

<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
<u>REVENUE ACCOUNTS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Revenue - Cash		Reserve - Petty Cash Advances	\$150.00
Petty Cash Advances:		Tailings Account	109.75
Treasurer - Collector	\$150.00	Overlays for Abatements	4,270.96
Cemetery	10.00	Revenue Reserved:	
		Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons	\$110.18
Taxes:		Motor Vehicle Excise	7,257.56
Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1948	2,398.87	Tax Titles and City Possessions	28,534.95
Poll, Personal and Real Estate 1949	65,733.00	Special Assessments	680.47
		Committed Interest	144.32
Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons		Departmental Accounts Receivable	23,043.99
		Water Rates	21,496.33
Motor Vehicle Excise 1948	36.02	Tax Titles Possessions Fund	81,264.80
1949	7,221.54	Sale of City Property	1,936.20
		Overlay Surplus	1,000.00
Water Rates		County Dog Tax	9,298.87
Assessments Added to Taxes:		State Overestimates:	18.00
Sewer	192.21	Charles River Basin Tax	2,054.25
Sidewalk	173.54	Smoke Inspection Service Tax	5.19
Street	144.72	Trust Funds Income Accounts (In City Cash)	2,057.44
Committed Assessments Interest		Post War Rehabilitation Fund (In City Cash)	7,519.36
Tax Titles		Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts	101.56
Tax Title Possessions		Police Ambulance Fund	36,492.18
Accounts Receivable - Departmental		Welfare - Old Age Assistance Recovery	647.38
State and County Underestimates:		Library - Fines	52.63
County Tax		Unidentified Receipts	2,355.76
Metropolitan Park Tax	9,051.50	Parking Meter Fees	18.20
Metropolitan Sewer Tax	6,715.24	Deposit Accounts:	8,179.92
State Audit of Municipal Accounts Tax	1,344.15	Private Sewers	2,145.00
	573.73	Individual Walks	1,180.00
Revenue - To be Raised in 1950		Water - Inside Services	860.00
		Sale of Tax Possessions	240.00
		Quaranty Contracts	1,000.00
		Unexpended Balances	5,125.00
		Surplus Revenue	321,224.24
			305,536.35
			787,668.60

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1949 (CONT'D)

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
DEFERRED ASSESSMENTS			
Sewer Assessments due 1950 - 1960	\$28,977.08		
Sidewalk Assessments due 1950 - 1959	16,761.73		
Street Assessments due 1950 - 1959	<u>16,518.96</u>	Apportioned Assessments - Not Due	\$62,257.77
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Account			
John C. F. Slayton Organ Fund (Mem. Bldg.)	10,000.00	TRUST ACCOUNTS	
A. C. Marie Currier Fund (Welfare)	24,613.39	Deposited in Savings Bank	17,314.68
Andrew J. Burnett Memorial Fund (Welfare)	2,000.00		
Geo. Emerson Fund (Welfare)	2,402.08	TRUST FUNDS	
Community Civics Fund (School)	50.00		
Levi S. Gould Fund (School)	1,000.00		
M. F. Hesselstine Fund (School)	100.00		
Sarah E. Fitch Fund (School)	643.47		
M. B. Wing Memorial Fund (School)	200.05		
Stalker Scholarship Fund (School)	13,023.90		
Wm. E. Bailey Fund (Library)	2,500.00		
Wm. E. Barrett Fund (Library)	75.00		
Horatio N. Perkins Fund (Library)	500.00		
Sarah A. Chever Fund (Library)	633.02		
Jabez Dyer Fund (Library)	1,130.25		
Sarah E. Odlin Fund (Library)	2,330.25		
Sarah E. Cheever Fund (Park)	1,500.00		
Perpetual Care Fund (Cemetery)	248,970.52		
Samuel McDaniels Fund (Cemetery)	100.00		
Flower Fund (Cemetery)	2,419.25	Investments:	\$257,671.00
100th Anniversary Fund	<u>109.65</u>	Securities	<u>56,629.83</u>
		Deposited in Banks	314,300.83

TRUST FUNDS INCOME ACCOUNTS

John C. F. Slayton Organ Fund (Mem. Bldg.)	3,323.96		
A. C. Marie Currier Fund (Welfare)	225.54		
Stalker Scholarship Fund (School)	58.75		
Perpetual Care Fund (Cemetery)	<u>797.50</u>	Deposited in Savings Banks	4,405.75

	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prov. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
City Clerk: (Contd)										
Mimeograph Machine	\$400.00				\$400.00	\$365.00	\$35.00	\$400.00		
Print Supplement to Revised Ordinances			\$175.00		175.00	165.00		165.00	\$10.00	
City Physician:										
Salaries and Wages	2,200.00				2,200.00	2,200.00		2,200.00		
Other Expenses	75.00				75.00	71.68		71.68	3.32	
City Solidator:										
Salaries and Wages	3,500.00				3,500.00	3,500.00		3,500.00		
Other Expenses	500.00				500.00	176.24	200.00	376.24	123.76	
Suits and Claims	300.00		200.00		500.00	345.00		345.00	155.00	
Electron and Registration:										
Salaries and Wages	5,311.00				5,311.00	5,139.65		5,139.65	171.35	
Other Expenses	4,665.00				4,665.00	4,159.98		4,159.98	505.02	
Planning Board:										
Other Expenses	100.00				100.00				100.00	
Board of Appeal:										
Salaries and Wages	250.00				250.00	250.00		250.00		
Other Expenses	150.00				150.00	103.76		103.76	46.24	
Property Valuation Board:										
Other Expenses				\$1,193.88	1,193.88	545.13		545.13		\$648.75
Fence Viewers:										
Other Expenses	15.00				15.00				15.00	
Public Works:										
Salaries and Wages	18,202.00		265.00		18,467.00	17,684.00	512.50	18,196.50	270.50	
Other Expenses, Vacations and Overhead Expenses	12,500.00		3,933.18		16,433.18	11,522.62	2,725.00	14,247.62	2,185.56	
Holidays	7,875.00				7,875.00	7,297.64	575.00	7,872.64	2.36	

Budget Appropri- ations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Public Works: (Cont'd)									
City Yard, Salaries and Wages	\$2,478.00			\$2,478.00	\$2,198.31	\$210.60	\$2,438.91	\$39.09	
Improvements	4,000.00			4,000.00	3,714.19		3,714.19	285.81	
Garage Addition		\$3,075.00	\$93.45	93.45	88.61		88.61	4.84	
New Equipment	16,400.00			19,175.00	16,365.69	2,517.40	18,913.09	561.91	
Parking Development	5,800.00			5,800.00	5,800.00		5,800.00		
Sick Leave	5,000.00	4,550.00		9,550.00	9,550.01		9,550.01	19.99	
Parking Meter Maintenance		1,100.00		1,100.00	856.68		856.68	243.32*	
Improvement and Rental									
B.M.R.R. Land-Berwick				800.00	800.00		800.00		
St. for Parking Space	\$800.00		175.00	175.00		175.00	175.00		
Sale of Truck									
Engineers:									
Salaries and Wages	8,955.00			8,955.00	6,862.80	1,639.00	8,501.80	453.20	
Other Expenses	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,284.96		1,284.96	715.04	
Survey-Sewer Facilities									
No. East Section		2,400.00		2,400.00					\$2,400.00
City Hall:									
Salaries and Wages	5,210.00			5,210.00	5,131.80		5,131.80	78.20	
Other Expenses	7,500.00			7,500.00	7,378.17		7,378.17	121.83	
Memorial Building:									
Salaries and Wages	5,218.60	165.00		5,413.60	5,211.97	165.00	5,406.97	6.63	
Other Expenses	3,500.00	400.00		3,900.00	3,812.82		3,812.82	87.18	
Repairs and Improvements	2,700.00		1,394.91	4,094.91	3,595.55	400.00	3,995.55	99.36	
TOTAL -GENERAL GOVERNMENT	187,591.73	24,273.74	2,857.24	233,228.49	212,219.75	10,020.50	222,240.25	6,739.49	4,248.75

*Balance to Parking Meter Fees

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY									
Police Department:									
Salaries and Wages	\$135,092.60	\$2,368.14		\$137,460.74	\$128,205.37	\$6,700.00	\$134,905.37	\$2,575.37	
Other Expenses	1,500.00	\$500.00		2,000.00	1,974.23	11.00	1,985.23	14.77	
Equipment and Repairs	2,500.00	800.00		3,300.00	3,235.78	62.00	3,297.78	2.22	
Teletype Fund	550.00			550.00	544.12		544.12	5.88	
Mechanician- Salary	400.00			400.00	400.00		400.00		
Finger Printing Equipment	500.00			500.00	492.49		492.49	7.51	
Motor Vehicle Insurance	225.00	28.81		253.81	253.81		253.81		
Maintain Two-Way Radio	500.00			500.00	494.39		494.39	5.61	
Equipment									
Parking Meter Maintenance		8,008.00		8,008.00	5,272.08	2,000.00	7,272.08	735.92*	
New Ambulance	5,000.00			5,000.00	4,755.20		4,755.20	244.80	
Recovery for Damages to Cruiser			\$34.95	34.95				34.95	
Purchase New Cruiser		200.00		1,500.00	1,421.00		1,421.00	79.00	
Purchase New Radio Receiver	1,500.00			200.00	146.32		146.32	53.68	
Out-of-Stats Travel - F.B.I. School-Washington, D.C.		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,200.00		1,200.00		\$2,000.00
Furniture-New Police Station		2,000.00		2,000.00					
Fire Department:									
Salaries and Wages	153,853.00			153,853.00	149,706.53	2,485.00	152,191.53	1,661.47	
Other Expenses	2,600.00	850.00		3,450.00	3,438.94		3,438.94	11.06	
Equipment and Repairs	4,000.00	785.00		4,785.00	4,553.12	250.00	4,783.12	1.88	
Repairs to Buildings	1,600.00	550.00		2,150.00	2,118.44		2,118.44	31.56	
Fuel and Light	3,100.00	250.00		3,350.00	3,227.92		3,227.92	122.08	
Rental of Hydrants	10,200.00			10,200.00	10,200.00		10,200.00		
New Hose	2,000.00	400.00		2,400.00	2,377.20		2,377.20	22.80	
Out-of-State Travel, Fire School and Conferences	150.00			150.00		35.00	35.00	115.00	
Self Contained Masks	1,580.00			1,580.00	1,410.02		1,410.02	169.98	
Install Radio Receiver Engine 1.	350.00			350.00				350.00	

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts.	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Building Department:									
Salaries and Wages	\$75.00			\$5,372.60	\$5,372.60		\$5,372.60	\$8.94	
Other Expenses	400.00			400.00	391.06		391.06	25.82	
New Equipment	125.00			125.00	99.18		99.18		
Wire Department:									
Salaries and Wages	100.00			3,575.00	3,475.00		3,475.00	\$37	\$100.00
Other Expenses	250.00			250.00	249.63		249.63		
Police Signal Maintenance	50.00			3,100.00	2,968.77		2,968.77	81.23	50.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	50.00	\$573.75		5,673.75	5,484.47		5,484.47	139.28	50.00
New Fire Alarm Boxes	1,350.00			1,350.00	1,250.00		1,250.00	100.00	
Purchase New Truck		5,090.00		5,090.00	4,516.25	\$573.75	5,090.00		
Sealer of Weights and Measures:									
Salaries and Wages	1,700.00			1,700.00	1,700.00		1,700.00		
Other Expenses	225.00	40.00		265.00	265.00		265.00		
Forestry:									
Care of Trees	12,000.00			12,250.00	12,250.00		12,250.00	3.98	
Plant New Trees	900.00	250.00		900.00	896.42		896.42		
Dog Officer:									
Salaries and Wages	400.00			440.00	440.00		440.00	10.80	
Other Expenses	400.00	40.00		400.00	349.20	40.00	389.20		
TOTAL PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY	360,323.20	21,565.56	\$34.95	366,086.85	365,114.54	12,156.75	377,271.29	6,265.56	2,550.00
*Balance to Parking Meter Fees									
HEALTH AND SANITATION									
Health Department:									
Salaries and Wages	195.80			4,940.80	4,923.28		4,923.28	17.52	
Other Expenses		57.00		1,507.00	1,504.78		1,504.78	2.22	
Tuberculosis		2,800.00		6,800.00	6,331.84		6,331.84	468.16**	
School Physicians									
Salaries	1,425.00			1,425.00	1,425.00		1,425.00		

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Health Department: (Cont'd)									
School and Public Health				\$7,225.00	\$7,225.00		\$7,225.00		
Nurses, Salaries	\$50.00			675.00	675.00		675.00		
Inspector of Animals									
Inspector of Milk and Food		\$1,750.00		3,000.00	1,250.00	\$1,750.00	3,000.00		
Sanitary Inspector				1,750.00	1,750.00		1,750.00		
Inspector of Plumbing				2,150.00	2,150.00		2,150.00		
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases	800.00			800.00	420.71	345.00	765.71	\$74.29	
Care and Disposal of Stray Animals	400.00	70.00		470.00	462.75		462.75	7.25	
Immunization of Dogs (Babies)	250.00			250.00	192.12	57.00	249.12	.88	
Mosquito Control	2,600.00			2,600.00	1,491.50	1,100.00	2,591.50	8.50	
Transportation of School Children to Dental Clinic		300.00		300.00	180.00	100.00	280.00	20.00	
Care of Premature Babies		375.00		375.00	152.21		152.21	222.79	
Sewer and Surface Drainage Division:									
Sewer and Surface Drainage Construction	37,160.00			100,914.43	65,017.43	4,493.61	69,511.04	557.90	\$30,815.49
Sewer Maintenance	4,300.00			4,950.00	4,815.88	86.00	4,901.88	48.12	
Sewer Construction:									
East Side Trunk and Upham St.									
Private Sewers	400.00			8,211.67	7,937.65		7,937.65		674.02
Sewer Connections:									
General									
East Side & Southeast				1,000.00	131.84	850.00	981.84	18.16	
Surface Drainage Maint.	2,500.00			5,700.00	5,420.02		5,420.02	279.98	
Collection of Ashes				10,000.00	9,322.96	154.22	9,477.18	522.82	
Collection of Garbage				34,000.00	33,994.96		33,994.96	5.04	
Street Cleaning				35,900.00	35,877.41		35,877.41	22.59	
TOTAL - HEALTH AND SANITATION	166,130.00	63,002.00	21,266.10	256,113.90	213,349.81	8,935.83	222,285.64	2,338.75	31,519.51

**Balance to Overlay Surplus

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Highways: -Repairs, Automotive Salaries and Wages and Automotive Other Expenses \$35,800.00				\$35,800.00	\$30,487.16	\$3,538.87	\$34,026.03	\$1,773.97	
Traffic Signs and Markings 4,000.00				4,000.00	3,999.99		3,999.99	.01	
Traffic Survey Expense 250.00				250.00	50.91		50.91	199.09	
Construction 30,000.00			\$2,651.75	32,651.75	21,598.22	3,164.16	24,762.38	1,887.78	\$6,001.59
Construction on Chapter 90 (Main & Lebanon Sts.) 10,000.00			24,598.82	34,598.82	34,555.42		34,555.42	43.40	
Relocate and Construct portion of Belmont St. Rental Bldg. Land Belmont St. \$2,000.00		\$1.00		2,000.00	1,999.00	1.00	2,000.00		
Take and Improve certain Lands-Vicinity of Dill's Ct. for Parking Space 20,000.00				20,000.00	65.60		65.60		19,934.40
Individual Walks 3,000.00				3,000.00	2,243.42		2,243.42	3,756.58	
Repair of Walks 10,000.00				15,000.00	13,383.61	1,614.11	14,997.72	2.28	
Continuous Walks 9,838.00			958.23	15,796.23	5,787.36	2,550.00	8,337.36	2,128.94	5,329.93
Snow Removal 25,000.00				35,000.00	25,689.74		25,689.74	9,310.26	
Street Lighting 34,500.00		210.00		34,710.00	34,686.45		34,686.45	23.55	
Traffic Beacons 2,100.00				2,100.00	1,667.39	210.00	1,877.39	222.61	
TOTAL HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES	164,488.00	43,211.00	28,208.80	237,907.80	176,215.27	11,078.14	187,293.41	19,348.47	31,265.92
PUBLIC WELFARE Administration, General, Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children			6,681.67	14,749.67	12,879.37	1,800.00	14,679.37	70.30	
Other Expenses 1,700.00				1,700.00	1,699.26		1,699.26	.74	
General Relief 24,000.00		15,000.00		39,000.00	38,990.90		38,990.90	9.10**	
Old Age Assistance 150,000.00		30,279.72	150,908.95	331,188.67	331,151.67		331,151.67	37.00**	
Aid to Dependent Children	22,000.00		10,666.25	32,666.25	32,585.89		32,585.89	80.36	

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
PUBLIC WELFARE (Cont'd)									
Purchase Automobile		\$1,800.00		\$1,800.00	\$1,321.29		\$1,321.29	\$478.71	
TOTAL PUBLIC WELFARE	\$205,768.00	47,079.72	\$168,256.87	421,104.59	418,628.38	\$1,800.00	420,428.38	676.21	
**Balance to Overlay Surplus									
VETERANS SERVICES									
General Administration:									
Salaries and Wages	3,980.40			3,980.40	3,980.40		3,980.40	.06	
Other Expenses	800.00			800.00	799.94		799.94	258.69**	
Veterans Benefits	13,000.00	3,000.00		16,000.00	15,741.31		15,741.31	200.00	
Veterans Burial	200.00			200.00					
TOTAL VETERANS SERVICES	17,960.40	3,000.00		20,960.40	20,521.65		20,521.65	438.75	
**Balance to Overlay Surplus									
EDUCATION									
Salaries and Wages	653,531.00			653,531.00	643,998.15	9,500.00	653,498.15	32.85	
Other General Expenses	5,800.00	800.00		7,210.00	7,237.85		7,237.85	2.15	
Textbooks and Supplies	29,225.00	4,700.00		33,925.00	33,847.37	63.02	33,910.39	14.61	
Plant Maintenance and Operation	92,312.00	4,637.00		96,949.00	95,336.43	1,534.00	96,870.43	78.52	
Vocational Adult Education: Barren Fund			235.30	235.30	203.40		203.40		\$31.90
City Appropriation	3,740.00			3,740.00	3,720.68		3,720.68	19.32	
Out of State Travel	250.00			250.00	229.52		229.52	20.48	
Repairs to Franklin School			625.00	625.00	625.00		625.00		
Plans, Specifications and Construction, Horace Mann School									
Equipment-Horace Mann School	30,000.00	5,972.00	309,997.94	326,151.77	146,536.01		146,536.01		179,615.76
		10,181.83		30,000.00	3,868.45	5,972.00	9,840.45		20,159.55

	Budget Appropri- ations	Revenue Orders	Balance from		Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance	
			Credit Transfers	Prev. Yrs. & Receipts					to Revenue 1949	to 1950
EDUCATION (Cont'd)										
Development of Girls' Hockey Field	\$15,000.00		\$1,249.00		\$15,000.00 1,249.00	\$8,043.77 1,249.00		\$8,043.77 1,249.00		\$6,956.23
Purchase Half-Ton Truck										
One Half Cost-Purchase										
and Installation of					125.00	125.00		125.00		
Clock-Ripley School										
Refund-Unsatisfactory				\$637.00	637.00		\$637.00	637.00		
Heating Installation										
TOTAL EDUCATION										
	829,858.00	10,821.83	17,483.00	311,495.24	\$1,169,658.07	945,020.68	17,706.02	962,726.70	167.93	206,763.44
LIBRARIES										
Salaries and Wages	27,334.00				27,334.00	26,537.89		26,537.89	796.11	
Other Expenses	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,498.26		1,498.26	1.74	
Books and Periodicals	4,000.00		4,241.80		8,241.80	7,935.91		7,935.91	305.89***	
Fuel and Light	1,900.00				1,900.00	1,839.67		1,839.67	60.33	
Building and Janitors'										
Supplies	2,500.00				2,500.00	2,496.06		2,496.06	3.94	
Binding	1,200.00				1,200.00	1,192.59		1,192.59	7.41	
New Equipment	300.00		250.00		550.00	549.04		549.04	.96	
Remodelling to Provide				267.36	267.36	252.15		252.15	15.21	
Room for Small Children										
Remodelling (Painting and Lighting)	1,500.00				1,500.00	1,477.50		1,477.50	22.50	
TOTAL LIBRARIES										
	40,234.00		4,491.80	267.36	44,993.16	43,779.07		43,779.07	1,214.09	
***Balance to Library Fines Account										
RECREATION										
Pine Banks Park:										
Salaries and Wages	4,868.20	318.00			5,186.20	4,992.00	175.00	5,167.00	19.20	
Other Expenses	1,300.00				1,300.00	1,299.61		1,299.61	.39	
Recreation Fund	400.00		175.00		575.00	575.00		575.00		

RECREATION (Cont'd)

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Park Department:									
General Administration:									
Salaries and Wages	\$7,475.00			\$7,595.80	\$7,595.80		\$7,595.80		
Other Expenses	800.00			800.00	777.53		777.53	\$22.47	
All Other Salaries and Wages		\$4,700.00		38,700.00	29,876.06	\$835.00	30,711.06	7,988.94	
All Other Expenses	34,000.00			6,000.00	5,455.65		5,455.65	544.35	
Holidays, Labor, Vacation and Insurance	3,000.00			3,000.00	2,595.12	88.82	2,683.94	316.06	
Mt. Hood Golf Maintenance and Operation		25,265.00		25,265.00	17,724.20	6.00	17,730.20	7,534.80****	
Patch and Tar Roadways - Mt. Hood		875.00	\$52.48	927.48	927.48		927.48		
Mt. Hood Recreation Building Operation		4,925.00		4,925.00	4,716.32		4,716.32	208.68****	
Athletic Field Maintenance and Operation	5,000.00			5,000.00	4,539.32	112.50	4,651.82	348.18	
Athletic Field Seating Construction-Recreational Building - Ell Pond			57,591.59	57,591.59	7,076.17	50,515.42	57,591.59		\$2,811.71
Gravel Fill - Dam at Hookay			2,811.71	2,811.71					780.12
Rink - Ell Pond			780.12	780.12					
Playground Projects, W.P.A. Halloween, July 4th and Christmas			4,530.42	4,530.42		4,530.42	4,530.42		500.00
Land for New Playgrounds New Equipment	800.00		500.00	800.00	678.32		678.32	121.68	
New Car			196.50	500.00					
Ell Pond Wall Repair			1,000.00	196.50	196.50	196.50	196.50		
Swings, Lebanon St. Playground			1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		1,000.00		
Baseball Backstop at Lincoln Playground			191.20	191.20		191.20	191.20		
Free Sld School, Mt. Hood			40.48	40.48					40.48
Dedication Memorial to George W. Rogers			361.00	361.00					361.00
Purchase Land-Barter St. for Playground			61.10	61.10	40.25		40.25	20.85	
			94.03	94.03		50.03	94.03		
		2,875.00		2,875.00	2,875.00		2,875.00		

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prov. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
RECREATION (Cont'd)									
Park Department:									
Toilet and Field House,									
Athletic Field									
Ski Tow - Mt. Hood	\$5,000.00	\$50,515.42		\$55,515.42	\$53,483.12		\$53,483.12		\$2,032.30
Junior Fish and Game Club	350.00	5,365.42		5,715.42	4,914.36		4,914.36		451.06
Winter Sports				350.00	216.92		216.92	\$103.08	
Replace One Truck	\$200.00			200.00	81.29		81.29		118.71
Painting Flag Pole	2,800.00			2,800.00	1,597.38	\$1,200.00	2,797.38	2.62	
Replace Caretaker Mower	150.00			150.00	134.00	16.00	150.00		
Hose 1", Spray Rinks	695.00			695.00	620.00	65.00	695.00		
Mowing Unit	175.00			175.00	174.29		174.29	.71	
Swains Pond Improvement	225.00			225.00	205.00	20.00	225.00		
Lebanon St. Playground	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,962.55	37.45	2,000.00		732.00
Spray Gun and Compressor Unit	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,268.00		1,268.00		
Tar Roads - Mt. Hood	350.00			350.00		875.00	875.00		350.00
Playgrounds and Beach Improvements	875.00			875.00					
Out of State Travel		1,200.00		1,200.00	444.42		444.42		738.58
Purchase Snow Thrower		6.00		6.00	6.00		6.00		
		665.00		665.00	665.00		665.00		
TOTAL RECREATION	73,103.20	96,566.84	\$68,210.63	243,669.47	158,587.16	58,914.34	217,501.50	17,232.01	8,935.96

*** Balance to Mt. Hood, Memorial Park Receipts Account

CELEBRATIONS

Memorial Day:	
Decorate Graves of Union	
Civil War Veterans, Dis-	
section of Sons of Veter-	
ans	400.00
American Legion	250.00
Veterans Foreign Wars	200.00
Disabled American Veterans	60.00
Marine Corps League	50.00
AMVETS	25.00
Hire Band	150.00
	125.00

25.00
25.00

400.00
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CELEBRATIONS (Cont'd)

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Amistice Day:									
American Legion	\$100.00			\$100.00	\$100.00		\$100.00		
Veterans of Foreign Wars	100.00			100.00	100.00		100.00		
Disabled American Veterans	60.00			60.00	60.00		60.00	\$25.00	
AMVETS	25.00			25.00					
Christmas Lighting:									
City Hall	475.00			475.00	475.00		475.00		
Memorial Building	200.00			200.00	200.00		200.00		
Fiftieth Anniversary Expenses,									
Special Lighting for Christmas and 50th Anniversary		\$5,000.00		5,000.00	557.50		557.50		\$4,442.50
			450.00	450.00	450.00		450.00		
TOTAL CELEBRATIONS	1,945.00	\$150.00	5,450.00	7,545.00	3,027.50		3,027.50	75.00	4,442.50
PENSIONS									
Police Department	14,289.00			14,289.00	12,991.56		12,991.56	1,297.44	
Fire Department	11,574.75	1,050.75		12,625.50	12,625.50		12,625.50		
Public Works Department	11,773.84			11,773.84	10,820.60	\$940.00	11,760.60	13.24	
School Department	1,875.00			1,875.00	1,875.00		1,875.00		
TOTAL PENSIONS	39,512.59	1,050.75		40,563.34	38,312.66	940.00	39,252.66	1,310.68	
UNCLASSIFIED									
Rental:									
Veterans of Foreign Wars	600.00			600.00	600.00		600.00		
American Legion	700.00			700.00	700.00		700.00		
Disabled American Veterans	600.00			600.00	577.00		577.00	23.00	
Amvets	600.00			600.00	547.70		547.70	52.30	
Marine Corps League	600.00			600.00	369.00		369.00	231.00	
Insurance	19,650.00			19,650.00	19,349.03	103.60	19,452.63	197.37	
Claims		3,823.08		4,729.08	4,729.08		4,729.08		
Portraits		906.00		275.00	175.00		175.00	100.00	
Print City Report	500.00	175.00	\$100.00	500.00	346.73	140.00	486.73	13.27	
Publish State Audit	40.00			40.00	40.00		40.00		

UNCLASSIFIED (Cont'd)	Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
Purchase Land Adjacent to School on Hesselatine Ave.				\$2,620.00	\$2,620.00					\$2,620.00
Special Commission-Study and Investigate Relative to Publish 50 year History of Melrose				200.00	200.00	\$195.80		\$195.80	\$1.20	
Rifle Practice-Hdqts Co. 3rd Bn 182nd Inf M.N.G.	\$500.00				500.00	382.83		382.83	117.17	
Honor Roll Maintenance	100.00				100.00	2.00		2.00	98.00	
Purchase Land for Fire Station-So. West Section of City	3,000.00				3,000.00					3,000.00
Indemnification for Injuries: Police Dept. Purchase Building for New Police Station			\$192.00		192.00	191.50		191.50	.50	
Alterations to New Police Station Building			26,770.00		26,770.00	26,000.00		26,000.00		770.00
Taking Land-Heywood Ave.			14,500.00		14,500.00	611.11		611.11		13,888.89
			48.00		48.00	48.00		48.00		
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	26,850.00	\$3,823.08	42,591.00	2,920.00	76,224.08	54,864.78	\$243.60	55,108.38	836.81	20,278.89
WATER DIVISION										
Maintenance and Operation	45,000.00		7,000.00		52,000.00	46,805.69	5,192.83	51,998.52	1.48	
New Water Meters	2,400.00				2,400.00	1,591.90	800.00	2,391.90	8.10	
Malden Water Rates	313.69				313.69	313.69		313.69		
Saugus Water Rates			3.60		3.60		3.60			
Construction	25,000.00		15,045.00		40,045.00	39,220.80	813.24	40,034.04	10.96	
Inside Services	41,000.00		3,800.00		7,800.00	6,494.83	800.00	7,294.83	505.17	
TOTAL WATER DIVISION	76,713.69		25,848.60		102,562.29	94,126.91	7,609.67	102,036.58	525.71	
CEMETERY										
Maintenance: Salaries and Wages	26,610.70	300.00			26,910.70	26,910.70		26,910.70		

Budget Appropriations	Revenue Orders	Credit Transfers	Balance from Prev. Yrs. & Receipts	Total Credits	Expended	Debit Transfers	Total Debits	Balance to Revenue 1949	Balance to 1950
CEMETERY (Cont'd)									
Maintenance (Cont'd)									
Other Expenses	\$1,600.00			\$1,600.00	\$1,586.76		\$1,586.76	\$13.24	
Holidays	807.84			807.84	718.88		718.88	88.96	
Road and Drain Repairs			\$92.20	92.20		\$92.20	92.20		\$93.97
Drain and Fill Pond			491.99	491.99	408.02		408.02		
Grave Liners	3,200.00			3,200.00	2,175.10		2,175.10	1,024.90	
3 Sets Ornamental Gates		\$1,200.00		1,200.00					1,200.00
Repair and Construct Roads and Drains		5,992.20		5,992.20	1,464.93		1,464.93		4,527.27
TOTAL CEMETERY	35,218.54	\$ 300.00	1,484.19	44,194.93	36,264.39	992.20	37,256.59	1,127.10	5,811.24
INTEREST									
	1,600.00			1,600.00	1,105.29	250.00	1,355.29	244.71	
BILLS PAYABLE									
		5,370.03	9,614.24	14,984.27	9,167.31		9,167.31	508.93	5,308.03

FUNDS AND TRUST FUNDS
(In City Cash for expenditure)

Memorial Bldg., John C. F. Slayton - Income
Welfare: A. C. Marie Currier - Income
A. J. Burnett Memorial - Income
George Emerson
School: Levi S. Gould - Income
N. F. Hessel tine - Income
M. Bakman Wing Award
Community Civics - Income
Sarah E. Fitch
Library: William E. Bailey - Income
William E. Barrett - Income
H. N. Perkins - Income
Duplicate
Park: S. E. Chever - Income
Cemetery: Sale of Lots and Graves
Perpetual Care - Income
Perpetual Flower - Income
Post War Rehabilitation

	Balance from 1948	Income or Deposits to City	Total Credits	Transfers or Expended	Paid to Funds	Total Debits	Balance to 1950
	\$4.54	\$400.00	\$400.00		\$400.00	\$400.00	
	83.33	335.00	335.00	\$335.00		335.00	\$123.33
		40.00	123.33				
		2,461.36	2,461.36	2,461.36		2,461.36	415.50
	421.35	28.00	441.35	25.85		25.85	11.79
	9.79	2.00	11.79				
		5.00	5.00	5.00		5.00	67.53
	66.53	1.00	67.53				
		165.00	165.00		25.00	165.00	
	394.58	50.00	444.58				444.58
	120.88	1.50	122.38				122.38
	144.56	10.00	154.56				154.56
	56.08	221.67	277.75	244.60		244.60	33.15
	527.10	30.00	557.10				557.10
		6,200.00	6,200.00	6,200.00		6,200.00	
	4,740.05	7,409.06	12,149.11	6,584.57		6,584.57	5,564.54
		22.25	69.96	45.06		45.06	24.90
	2,900.00	10,258.39	13,158.39	13,056.83		13,056.83	101.56
TOTAL FUNDS AND TRUST FUNDS	9,491.04	27,653.15	37,144.19	29,098.27	425.00	29,523.27	7,620.92

ACCOUNTS - GENERAL

	Balance from 1948	Receipts	Transfers and Assessors Warrants	Total Credits	Assessors Warrant Paid and Refunded	Transfers and Abatements	Total Debits	Balance to 1950
Petty Cash Advances:								
Treasurer-Collector Dept.	\$150.00		\$50.00	\$150.00		\$50.00	\$50.00	\$150.00
Park Dept.	10.00			50.00				10.00
Cemetery Dept.				10.00				
Temporary Loans		\$300,000.00		300,000.00	\$300,000.00		\$300,000.00	
Grants and Gifts-County Dog Tax		2,711.80		2,711.80		2,711.80	2,711.80	
Tailings	108.70	24.76		133.46	23.71		23.71	109.75
Overlays for Abatements	772.99	477,532.05	25,634.20	26,4107.19		22,136.23	22,136.23	4,270.96
Estimated Receipts	24,084.20		490,930.50	968,462.55	716,657.08	251,805.47	968,462.55	
Tax Titles Possessions Fund	1,000.00		2,352.00	26,436.20		24,500.00	24,500.00	1,936.20
Sale of Property (City)	58,225.92			1,000.00				1,000.00
Overlay Surplus	139,572.23		772.95	58,938.87				9,298.87
Excess and Deficiency			301,709.64	441,281.87		119,700.00	119,700.00	305,536.35
Agency Trusts - County Dog Tax	15.60	3,557.20		3,572.80	3,554.80	135,745.52	135,745.52	18.00
Mt. Hood Memorial Park Receipts	37,298.76	21,699.94	7,743.48	66,682.18		30,190.00	30,190.00	36,492.18
Police Ambulance Fund	523.60	414.10		935.70	169.32	119.00	288.32	617.38
Welfare - Old Age Assistance Recoveries		887.63		887.63	164.00	671.00	835.00	52.63
Library Fines	1,480.52	2,319.35	305.89	4,105.76		1,750.00	1,750.00	2,355.76
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund - Receipts Acct.		7,516.00	1.00	7,517.00	7,517.00		7,517.00	
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves "		5,696.50	24.00	5,720.50	5,720.50		5,720.50	
Unidentified Receipts	18.20			18.20				18.20
Parking Meter Fees	1,965.33	14,977.47	1,019.69	17,962.49	7,469.67	2,312.90	9,782.57	8,179.92
Street Betterment-Paid in Advance of								
Commitment		914.57		914.57			914.57	
Deposit Accounts:								
Private Sewers	5,690.00	10,035.00		15,725.00	13,580.00		13,580.00	2,145.00
Individual Walks	3,806.00	2,565.00		6,371.00	5,191.00		5,191.00	1,180.00
Water Inside Services	3,840.00	8,207.24		12,047.24	11,187.24		11,187.24	860.00
Highway Repairing		75.00		75.00	15.00	60.00	75.00	
Sale of Tax Title Possessions	230.00	272.00		502.00		262.00	262.00	240.00
Guaranty Deposits (Garbage)	1,000.00			1,000.00				1,000.00
Pay Roll Deductions:								
Withholding Tax	119,567.50			119,567.50	119,567.50		119,567.50	
TOTAL ACCOUNTS - GENERAL	399,357.55	859,375.61	830,543.35	2,089,276.51	1,191,731.39	522,043.92	1,713,775.31	375,501.20

REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK

January 31, 1950.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the City Clerk's Department for the year 1949 follows:-

The amounts received by the City Clerk for fees for official services from January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949, was as follows:-

For recording and indexing fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses	\$ 136.00
For recording and indexing dog licenses	347.80
For recording marriage certificates	680.00
For licenses to keep and store gasoline and other inflammable materials, and for filing certificates of registration of such licenses	1,656.50
For miscellaneous licenses	616.00
For copies of records, etc.	379.30
For recording and indexing mortgages of personal property and other instruments	2,374.84
Total Receipts	<u>\$6,190.44</u>
Less refunds	52.00
Total net receipts paid into City Treasury	<u>\$6,138.44</u>

The sum of \$3,905.00 has been received by this department for dog licenses issued from January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

For 893 male dogs at \$2.00 each	\$1,786.00
For 132 female dogs at \$5.00 each	660.00
*For 714 spayed female dogs at \$2.00 each	1,424.00
For 1 kennel license at \$10.00	10.00
For 1 kennel license at \$25.00	25.00
Total received for dog licenses	<u>\$3,905.00</u>

*Two spayed female dog licenses for seeing-eye dogs were issued without charge.

In addition to the above, 35 licenses were issued without charge for dogs owned by persons serving in the armed forces.

Of the above amount, \$3,557.20 was paid to the County of Middlesex, and \$347.80, representing Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

The sum of \$1,176.75 has been received for fishing, hunting, sporting and trapping licenses issued from January 1, 1949, to December 31, 1949, inclusive, in the following numbers and amounts:-

Resident Citizen Fishing licenses, 298 @ \$2.00 each	\$ 596.00
Resident Citizen Hunting licenses, 101 @ \$2.00 each	202.00
Resident Citizen Sporting licenses, 95 @ \$3.25 each	308.75
Resident Citizen Female and Minor Fishing licenses, 46 @ \$1.25 each	57.50
Resident Citizen Minor Trapping licenses, 1 @ \$2.25 each ..	2.25
Resident Citizen Trapping licenses, 1 @ \$5.25 each	5.25
Special Non-Resident Fishing licenses, 2 @ \$1.50 each	3.00
Duplicate licenses, 4 @ \$.50 each	2.00
Resident Citizen (over 70) sporting licenses, 38 (free) ..	00.00
Resident Citizen Military or Naval Sporting licenses, 11 (free)	<u>00.00</u>
Total	\$1,176.75

Of the above amount, \$1,040.75 has been paid to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Division of Fisheries and Game, and \$136. 00, representing Clerk's fees, has been paid into the City Treasury.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Recorded

Children born in Melrose of Melrose parents	302
Children born outside of Melrose of Melrose parents	217
Children born in Melrose of non-resident parents	<u>512</u>
Total number of births recorded	1,031

Marriages Recorded

Both parties resident and solemnized in Melrose	58
Both parties resident and solemnized elsewhere in state ..	14
Both parties resident and solemnized out of state	6
One party resident and solemnized in Melrose	115
One party resident and solemnized elsewhere in state	144
One party resident and solemnized out of state	3
Both parties non-residents and solemnized in Melrose	<u>16</u>
Total number of marriages recorded	356

Deaths Recorded

Melrose residents occurring in Melrose	227
Melrose residents occurring elsewhere	77
Non-residents occurring in Melrose	<u>108</u>
Total number of deaths recorded	412


 Raymond H. Greenlaw
 CITY CLERK.

REPORT OF THE CITY PHYSICIAN

The Honorable Thomas L. Thistle, Mayor, and
Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as City Physician for
the year 1949.

Visits for Department of Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	135
Aid to Dependent Children	85
General Relief	27
Hospital	12

Examinations for Public Works Department	22
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Examinations for Park Department	8
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Examinations for Fire Department	3
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Examinations for Police Department	3
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Examinations for Work Certificates (minors)	4
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Vaccinations	6
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Other (unclassified)	19
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Total Home Visits	102
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Total Office Visits	210
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Total Hospital Visits	12
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Respectfully submitted,

J. A. Dunham, M.D.
City Physician

REPORT OF CITY TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

The Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen,
City Hall,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report as City Treasurer and Collector for
the year 1949.

Respectfully submitted,


S. Homer Buttrick
City Treasurer-Collector

CITY TREASURER
CASH STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR OF 1949

Cash in Bank and Office, January 1, 1949	\$ 644,289.13
Receipts, January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949	<u>3,464,170.08</u>
	\$ 4,108,459.21

Payments January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949	\$ 3,503,261.90
Balance Cash in Bank and Office December 31, 1949	<u>605,197.31</u>
	\$ 4,108,459.21

LOANS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES

Authorized by order No. 8289	\$300,000.00
Notes paid during 1949	<u>300,000.00</u>
Balance due in 1950	000,000.00
Rate of discount	.647%

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1949	\$ 1,543.70	
Added during 1949	<u>684.36</u>	\$ 2,228.06
Redemption and Foreclosures	554.38	
Balance December 31, 1949	<u>1,673.68</u>	2,228.06

FUNDS HELD BY THE CITY TREASURER

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Securities</u>	<u>Total</u>
In fund January 1, 1949	\$19,974.52	\$ 221,499.00	\$ 241,473.52
In fund December 31, 1949	\$ <u>22,471.52</u>	\$ <u>226,499.00</u>	\$ <u>248,970.52</u>

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNT

Receipts

City of Melrose, Collections		7,517.00	
Premiums on bonds purchased		90.00	
Cash on hand January 1, 1949			
Savings Bank	18,003.00		
Melrose Trust Company	<u>1,971.52</u>	<u>19,974.52</u>	\$ 27,581.52

Payments

Securities purchased:

Montana Power Company	1,000.00	
Arkansas Power & Light	2,000.00	
Seattle Gas Company	<u>2,000.00</u>	5,000.00

Premiums on bonds purchased	110.00
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Cash on hand December 31, 1949

Savings Bank	18,003.00	
Melrose Trust Company	<u>4,468.52</u>	<u>22,471.52</u>
		\$ 27,581.52

INCOME ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance January 1, 1949	756.25	
Income from securities	<u>7,476.62</u>	\$ 8,232.87

Payments

Interest paid on securities purchased	14.31	
Melrose Trust Company Box Rent	12.00	
City of Melrose; Income	7,409.06	
Balance December 31, 1949	<u>797.50</u>	\$ 8,232.87

LIST OF SECURITIES IN FUND

Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fe Ry....1995....4%	\$ 6,000.00	
Pennsylvania R.R.....1965...4 1/2%	3,000.00	
New York Central Ry.....2013...41 2/2%	3,000.00	
Boston Albany Ry.....1978...41 2/2%	8,000.00	
Atlantic Coast Line Ry.....1952....4%	3,000.00	
Louisville & Nashville Ry.....2003...27 7/8%	7,000.00	
Southern Pacific Ry.....1961...27 7/8%	5,000.00	
Southern Pacific Oregon Ry.....1977...41 2/2%	5,000.00	
Michigan Central Ry.....1957....4%	2,000.00	
Chesapeake & Ohio Ry.....1996...31 2/2%	5,000.00	
Cambria & Clearfield Ry.....1955....4%	14,000.00	
Boston Terminal Co.....31 2/2%	8,000.00	
Boston Edison Co.....1970...23 4/4%	15,000.00	
Wisconsin Power & Light.....1971...31 2/2%	5,000.00	
Luzerne County Gas & Electric.....1966...31 2/2%	2,000.00	
Pacific Gas & Electric.....1974-79...3%	10,000.00	
Pennsylvania Electric.....1976...23 4/4%	4,000.00	
Brooklyn Union Gas.....1976...27 7/8%	5,000.00	
Ohio Public Service Co.....1976...23 4/4%	8,000.00	
Central Maine Power.....1976...31 2/2%	5,000.00	
Public Service of N.H.....1973...31 4/4%	5,000.00	
Central Maine Power.....1976...23 4/4%	5,000.00	
Central Vermont Public Service.....1975...23 4/4%	8,000.00	
Toledo Edison Co.....1977...27 7/8%	3,000.00	
Connecticut Power & Light Co.....1980....3%	7,000.00	
Northern Indiana Public Service....1973...31 8/8%	8,000.00	
Wisconsin Public Service.....1971...31 4/4%	5,000.00	
Jersey Bell Telephone Co.....1988...31 8/8%	2,000.00	
Seattle Gas Co.....1976...35 8/8%	4,000.00	
Arkansas Power & Light.....1974...31 8/8%	2,000.00	
Montana Power Co.....1975...27 7/8%	1,000.00	
American Tel & Tel.....1970...23 4/4%	6,000.00	
First National Bank, Boston.....150 shares	6,687.50	
Merchants National Bank, Boston.....12 shares	4,044.00	
Natl Shawmut Bank, Boston.....150 shares	4,212.50	
Newton Trust Co.....59 shares	3,062.50	
Natl Rockland Bank, Boston.....55 shares	3,600.00	
Second Natl Bank, Boston.....35 shares	4,892.50	
U.S. Gov Bonds.....	<u>21,000.00</u>	\$226,499.00
Cash, Savings Banks & Trust Co		22,471.52
		<u>\$248,970.52</u>

REPORT OF THE CURRIER FUND
(Welfare Dept)

CAPITAL ACCOUNT

Amount in Fund December 31, 1949		\$24,613.39
Securities:		
N.Y. Central R.R. 4 1/2%	2,000.00	
Southern R.R. 4%	5,000.00	
Melrose Savings Bank	14,499.63	
Malden Savings Bank	829.98	
Charlestown 5% Savings Bank	619.77	
Eliot Savings Bank	647.01	
18 shares First National Bank, Boston	<u>1,017.00</u>	\$24,613.39

INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance January 1, 1949	5.51	
Income from Investments	556.49	
Paid City of Melrose		330.46
Melrose Trust Co., Box Rent		6.00
Balance December 31, 1949		<u>225.54</u>
	<u>\$562.00</u>	<u>\$562.00</u>

100TH ANNIVERSARY TOWN OF MELROSE

Balance January 1, 1949	\$107.50	
Interest	2.15	
Balance December 31, 1949	<u>\$109.65</u>	\$109.65

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS MEMORIAL BUILDING
(\$10,000 Corporate Stock - City of New York)

Dividends received by City of Melrose	\$400.00	
Paid John C.F. Slayton Fund	<u>\$400.00</u>	\$400.00

SARAH E. CHEVER FUND
(Sewall Woods Park)
Fund amount \$1500.00

Income received	\$ 30.00	
Paid City of Melrose	<u>\$ 30.00</u>	\$ 30.00

ANDREW J. BURNETT MEMORIAL FUND
(Welfare Department)
Fund amount \$2000.00

Income received	\$ 40.00	
Paid City of Melrose	<u>\$ 40.00</u>	\$ 40.00

GEORGE EMERSON FUND
(Welfare Department)

Balance January 1, 1949	\$3,309.71	
Income received	1,500.00	
Interest	53.73	
Paid City of Melrose		\$2,461.36
Balance December 31, 1949	<u>\$4,863.44</u>	\$2,402.08
		<u>\$4,863.44</u>

WYOMING CEMETERY FLOWER FUND
(Cemetery Department)
Fund amount \$2419.25

Income received	\$ 47.71	
Paid City of Melrose	<u>\$ 47.71</u>	\$ 47.71

SALE OF LOTS AND GRAVES
(Cemetery Department)

Balance January 1, 1949	\$46,942.76	
Collections 1949	5,720.50	
Interest	851.42	
paid City of Melrose		\$ 6,200.00
Balance December 31, 1949	<u>\$53,514.68</u>	47,314.68
		<u>\$53,514.68</u>

WILLIAM BAILEY LIBRARY FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund amount \$2500.00

Income received	\$ 50.00	
Paid City of Melrose	<u>\$ 50.00</u>	\$ 50.00

WILLIAM EMERSON BARRETT FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund amount-\$75.00

Income received	\$ 1.50	
Paid City of Melrose		\$ 1.50
	\$ <u>1.50</u>	\$ <u>1.50</u>

HORATIO NELSON PERKINS FUND
(Melrose Public Library)
Fund amount-\$500.00

Income received	\$ 10.00	
Paid City of Melrose		\$10.00
	\$ <u>10.00</u>	\$ <u>10.00</u>

COMMUNITY CIVICS FUND
(School Department)
Fund amount - \$50.00

Income received	\$ 1.00	
Paid City of Melrose		\$ 1.00
	\$ <u>1.00</u>	\$ <u>1.00</u>

SARAH E FITCH FUND
(School Department)

Balance January 1, 1949	\$ 719.91	
Received on account of loans	50.00	
Interest	13.56	
Paid, account of tuition		\$140.00
Balance December 31, 1949		643.47
	\$ <u>783.47</u>	\$ <u>783.47</u>

LEVI S GOULD FUND
(School Department)
Fund amount - \$100.00

Income received	\$ 20.00	
Paid City of Melrose		\$ 20.00
	\$ <u>20.00</u>	\$ <u>20.00</u>

NORMAN HESSELTINE FUND
(School Department)
Fund amount - \$100.00

Income received	\$ 2.00	
Paid City of Melrose		\$ 2.00
	\$ <u>2.00</u>	\$ <u>2.00</u>

MARGARET BAKEMAN WING
MEMORIAL AWARD FUND
(School Department)

1 share American Tel & Tel Stock

Balance in fund January 1, 1949	\$ 39.34	
Income received	10.71	
Paid School Department		\$ 5.00
Balance December 31, 1949		45.05
	\$ <u>50.05</u>	\$ <u>50.05</u>

STALKER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
(School Department)

Received from Estate of Wilhelmina Stalker	\$13,308.26
Premiums on Bonds purchased	110.91

Invested as follows:

Seattle Gas Company		\$ 5,000.00
Pacific Gas & Electric		1,000.00
American Tel & Tel		3,000.00
Arkansas Power & Light		2,000.00
Public Service of N.H.		1,000.00
Montana Power Company		1,000.00
Melrose Savings Bank		23.90
Premiums paid		390.27
Registration of Seattle Bonds		5.00
	\$13,419.17	<u>\$13,419.17</u>

CITY OF MELROSE
REHABILITATION FUND

Balance January 1, 1949	\$10,057.30	
Interest	201.09	
Paid City of Melrose		\$10,258.39
	<u>\$10,258.39</u>	<u>\$10,258.39</u>

COLLECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT - 1949

Taxes:	1947 Personal	623.87	
	Real Estate	851.77	
	Polls	<u>4.00</u>	1,479.64
	1948 Personal	2,720.63	
	Real Estate	51,309.73	
	Polls	<u>3,216.00</u>	57,246.36
	1949 Personal	147,810.20	
	Real Estate	1,546,340.73	
	Polls	<u>12,924.00</u>	1,707,074.93

Motor Vehicle Excise:

1947	13.81	
1948	4,561.54	
1949	<u>137,881.59</u>	142,456.94
1947 Interest	.07	
1948 "	14.89	
1949 "	<u>62.75</u>	77.71

Apportioned Sewer:

1947 (added to taxes)	5.40	
1948 " " "	196.00	
1949 " " "	3,524.65	
1949-50 (paid in advance)	<u>1,875.59</u>	5,601.64

Apportioned Sidewalk:

1948 (added to taxes)	68.06	
1949 " " "	2,079.38	
1949-57 (paid in advance)	<u>2,326.54</u>	4,473.98

Apportioned Street:

1948 (added to taxes)	31.11	
1949 " " "	1,634.78	
1949-58 (paid in advance)	<u>16,127.54</u>	17,793.43

Committed Interest:

1947	.61	
1948	61.39	
1949	<u>1,371.70</u>	1,433.70

General Interest:

1947	72.50	
1948	1,070.70	
1949	<u>317.93</u>	
1947 Polls	.10	
1948 "	1.15	
1949 "	27.38	
Assessments	<u>12.17</u>	1,501.93

Collector's Receipts 778.10

Municipal Lien Certificates 535.00

Mortgagee's Receipts 2.00

Water Rates General 113,446.98

Memorial Building Rentals 3,552.70

Police Department:
Ambulance Fund 414.10

Health Dept:		
Tuberculosis	709.50	
Quarantine & Contagious Diseases	<u>81.00</u>	790.50
Public Works Department:		
City Hall Rentals	920.00	
Private Sewer	9,489.30	
Sale of Garbage	11,834.39	
Highway Repairing	910.21	
Individual Talks	3,621.13	
Water Inside Service	6,796.26	
Rental City Property	78.00	
Hydrant Rental	10,200.00	
Salvage	360.00	
Water Maintenance	<u>55.00</u>	44,264.29
Public Welfare Department:		
General Relief	5,962.21	
Old Age Assistance	130,554.12	
Aid to Dependent Children	<u>9,411.02</u>	145,927.35
School Department:		
Tuition	3,522.04	
Rental	<u>135.00</u>	3,657.04
Cemetery Department:		
Sale of Lots	24.00	
Perpetual Care	<u>1.00</u>	25.00
Property Valuation Board		1.00
Assessor's Department:		
Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons		<u>200.00</u>
		\$2,252,734.32

Respectfully submitted,



S. Homer Buttrick
City Treasurer-Collector

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose 76, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the Melrose Fire Department for the year 1949.

Organization

The Fire Department consists of four companies.

Engine Company #1
Engine Company #2
Engine Company #3
Aerial Ladder #1

Personnel

Chief of Department
4- Captains
4- Lieutenants
1- Master Mechanic
37- Privates

Equipment

Maxim-750 gal. Pumping Engine.....	installed 1946
Maxim-750 gal. Pumping Engine.....	installed 1946
Maxim-750 gal. Pumping Engine.....	installed 1929
Peter-Pirsch-Aerial Ladder.....	installed 1935
Mack-Service Truck.....	installed 1937
Seagrave-350 gal. Pumper.....	installed 1925
Seagrave-750 gal. Pumper.....	installed 1919
Dodge- Chiefs Car.....	installed 1946
Trailer-Lighting plant.....	1942
Trailer-Hose Wagon.....	1942
Boat-Rescue unit fully equipped	
Willys-Brush fire wagon, spare piece	

Hose

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose.....	10950
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose.....	4000
Number of feet of booster hose.....	3500

Hose Condemned 1949

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose.....	850
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose.....	900
Number of feet of booster hose.....	700

All hose tested at 200 lbs. pressure.

Alarms and Special Calls

Total number of bell alarms.....	166
Total number of still alarms.....	315
Total number of emergency calls.....	164
Apparatus called out of City.....	61
False alarms.....	8

Apparatus called out of City

Malden.....	47
Wakefield.....	9
Stoneham.....	3
Saugus.....	2

Mutual Aid Calls to Melrose

Malden.....	23
Wakefield.....	8
Stoneham.....	3
Lynn.....	1

Equipment used, Hose, Ladders etc.

Number of feet of 2½ inch hose laid.....	21500
Number of feet of 1½ inch hose laid.....	8700
Number of feet of ladders raised.....	2680
Number of covers used.....	37
Number of lbs. of CO2 used.....	165
Number of lbs. of foamite used.....	54
Number of lbs. of Dugas used.....	45
Number of hours lighting plant used.....	28
Inhalator used-times.....	14
Number of tanks of oxygen used.....	31
Gas masks used-times.....	22
Stretcher used-times.....	4
Red Cross mask used-times.....	7
Towing chains used-times.....	6
Total pumping hours of apparatus.....	165
Rescue Boat-used-times.....	2
Oxygen Masks used-times.....	8

Permits Granted

Storage of Oil.....	488
Class A inflamables.....	34
Explosives.....	12
Liquid Gas.....	56

Inspections

Number of Building Inspections.....	1855
Number of Oil Burner Inspections.....	1089
Number of Tank Inspections.....	144
Number of Liquid Gas Inspections.....	76
Number of Blasting Inspections.....	16
Number of Garage Inspections.....	106
Number of Incinerator & Burning Inspections,,,	122

Fire Loss-Buildings and Contents

Number of Buildings damaged.....	30
Value of Buildings.....	\$145800
Loss on Buildings.....	22698
Insurance on Buildings.....	273000
Insurance paid on Buildings.....	22698
Value of Contents.....	47000
Loss on Contents.....	4380
Insurance on Contents.....	47500
Insurance paid on Contents.....	4380
Total Fire Loss,Buildings & Contents.....	28268
Insurance paid,Buildings & Contents.....	28268

Special Work

Open Locked Doors.....	38
Oil Burner Leaks.....	8
Water Leaks.....	11
Cats Removed From Trees	14
Refrigerator Leaks.....	18
Gas Leaks.....	19
Electric Wires Down.....	6
Shut off Electric System.....	8
Replace Flag Pole Rope.....	6
Flush Gasoline From Street.....	4
Flush Oil From Street.....	11
Smoke Investigation.....	14
Fumes Investigation.....	9
Persons Hand Caught in Mixer.....	1
Drownings.....	1
Rescue Dog From Pond.....	1
Investigate Lightning Damage.....	1
Automobile Accidents.....	4
Motorcycle Accident.....	1
Remove patients to Hospital.....	4
Electric Wire investigations.....	7
Overtured Truck.....	1
Roof Leaks.....	6
Remove Boy From Roof.....	1
Boiler Trouble.....	9
Inhalator Calls.....	14

Fire Prevention Program

The department established a Fire Prevention Program in a small way this past year. The program has been very successful and it is the hope of the head of department to increase the personnel in this branch of the Fire Service. In the Fire Prevention Program the department sprayed over 1000 Christmas trees with the hope of eliminating Christmas tree fires. The program was very successful.

Emergencies

On June 16, 1949 at 10:25 A.M. the City lost the water pressure. This was caused by a break in the large main from the source of supply. This break created a serious emergency pertaining to fire. The Fire Service rendered excellent service in this emergency by assigning Malden apparatus to pump water into our system from the Malden line, Stoneham apparatus to pump from the Stoneham line and Engine 2 of Melrose to pump into our system from the secondary water supply at the corner of Washington Street and Goodyear Ave. In very quick order we had water back into the Melrose system. The department pumped a number of times this year to maintain the water pressure. The dry season was very acute and in the early evenings the pressure was dangerously low and created a serious hazard in case of fire.

On October 31, 1949 at 5:57 P.M. had a very serious emergency in the illuminating gas system. The Malden Gas Company who supply the City with gas injected propane gas into the system by error and the use of gas appliances was stopped. This condition put out the pilot lights and when gas came into the system it penetrated homes and created a very serious hazard. The department worked night and day going into homes to shut off gas and help in every way possible. The situation was cleared up in three days.

On December 22, 1949 at 1: P.M. a very bad Gasoline spill occurred at the station corner of Main Street and Grove Street. The Gasoline spilled onto sidewalk, gutters, street and catch basins. The department cleared the buildings in the vicinity of all people and flushed the street and brook where gasoline has spilled into. The department covered all exposed property with sand to eliminate fire hazard.

Conclusion

I desire to express my thanks and appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor, to the Honorable Board of Aldermen, and to all other Departments for their assistance in all matters pertaining to the Fire Department.

To the officers and men of the Department who rendered efficient service at all hours of the day and night, I wish to extend my sincere thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

Sidney C. Field
Chief of Department

REPORT OF THE LAW DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and
Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Honorable Gentlemen:

The Law Department has found it necessary during the past year to try several cases in defense of claims against the City; to examine titles to land, and advise with respect to takings by eminent domain; to supply the Heads of Departments with requested opinions and to negotiate settlement of many claims against the City for personal injuries sustained due to alleged highway defects.

There are many cases pending, the majority of them in the Superior Court, which investigation suggests should be tried rather than compromised.

The work of the Law Department follows largely a routine pattern, but the volume increases from year to year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Van Allen Thompson

City Solicitor

REPORT OF MEMORIAL BUILDING TRUSTEES

To His Honor the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Memorial Building herewith submit their annual report for the year 1949.

It would seem appropriate here to inform you that the Memorial Building has been used by various organizations much more during the past year than for many years previous, consequently it has required much more work of the building employees to have had it kept always in excellent rental condition. Moreover, since its more recent renovation, the citizens of Melrose have been more aware of the beauty of this memorial building, and also more appreciative of its fine accommodations for civic affairs.

During this year the renovation and improvements to the entire building have been extensively continued from the previous year. A much needed Public Address System was installed within the building, with loud-speaker equipment in both the main auditorium and the Grand Army Hall, as well as including outside outlets in the front and rear of the building for future possible use. During the summer months all auditorium seats were repaired, and all floors were cleaned and polished. Interior painting of a few smaller rooms was likewise accomplished during the summer, with some improvements to the basement section under the Grand Army Hall.

A memorial tablet in bronze to the Honored Dead of World War I was dedicated in the Grand Army Hall on November 11, with most appropriate services. This tablet was designed to conform with the other three bronze tablets previously erected on the wall of this Hall, where they will always be permanently maintained in excellent condition in this Memorial edifice, sacred to the memory of all our Soldiers and Sailors of all Wars.

Exteriorly, the erection of a durable metal fence along the North boundary of the property, and extending across the Western or rear border of the property, has now established a proper area for requirements of the building, in time of need for parking of trucks when workmen are within the building, as also when catering is being done for various organizations using the building. Also, a gate in this fence at the southern end of the rear of the building has made possible the regular collection of ashes and rubbish at all times. The balance of the land, formerly a part of the property, has been transferred to automobile parking under the Public Works Department, and the black-top surface has improved the area, eliminating the deposit of brush and rubbish at the rear of the building. Further, the painting of all exterior woodwork was completely done during the summer, with some replacement of a few broken panes of glass.

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The Trustees have held regular meetings, with several extra ones needed to transact emergency business. We would like to mention in this report that all the organizations renting the building have been most cooperative in abiding by the regulations established during this season by the Trustees, for the best interests in the maintenance of this beautiful building.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Salaries and Wages:

Appropriation		\$5248.60
Expended		<u>5241.97</u>
Balance...		\$ 6.63

Other Expenses:

Appropriation	\$3500.00	
Trans. from Repairs & Improvements	<u>400.00</u>	\$3900.00
Expended		<u>3812.82</u>
Balance...		87.18

Repairs & Improvements:

Appropriation	\$4094.91	
Trans. to Other Expenses	<u>400.00</u>	\$3694.91
Expended		<u>3595.55</u>
Balance...		\$ 99.36

Respectfully submitted

TRUSTEES OF MEMORIAL BUILDING

Harold F. Magnuson
Chairman

REPORT OF PARK DEPARTMENT

To His Honor, the Mayor and
Honorable Board of Aldermen
City Hall, Melrose, Mass.,

Gentlemen:

The Fortieth Annual Report of the Park Commission is submitted herewith.

This report comprises the complete work of the department under the supervision of our Assistant Superintendent, Francis J. Meehan, covering the various activities and a financial statement for the year 1949.

During the year the Park Commission accomplished the following:-

1. Athletic Field House - Constructed and properly equipped.
2. Stone Ski Tow Building - Erected at Mt. Hood with installation of equipment for operation, including flood-lighting for the entire area.
3. Conant Road Playground - Land acquired and work started.
4. Swain's Pond - New bathing beach.
5. Golf Lessons - For children and adults at the Mt. Hood Golf Course.
6. Ski School - Held at Mt. Hood Park.
7. Melrose Jr. Fish & Game Club-Held for boys.
8. Tennis Instruction - All Tennis Courts throughout the City.
9. New Park at Belmont Street - Land acquired for development of same.
10. Lebanon Playground - Enlargement and work started.

The members of the Park Commission are proud of the Park system in Melrose, and take pleasure in unanimously expressing to the Mayor, the Board of Aldermen and the members of the City Government, their appreciation for their hearty co-operation.

The Park Commission feel that through the loyal support of the Assistant Superintendent, Francis J. Meehan and all members of the Department that the year's work has been in the best interest of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

For the

MELROSE PARK COMMISSION

Harold W. Poole Chairman

Mr. Harold W. Poole, Chairman
and Members of the Melrose
Board of Park Commissioners

I hereby submit to the Park Commissioners my annual report for the year 1949, together with the financial statement which is part of the report, giving in detail the Department's operations and expenses.

1949 Annual Report

The winter season comprising the months of January, February and December proved to be very mild with only three or four snow storms.

The temperatures were not very beneficial to the winter sports enthusiasts who enjoy skating as shown by the following table:-

Ell Pond	10 Days ..	Hockey & Skating
Ell Pond Rink.....	11 Days ..	Hockey & Skating
Common Playground	13 Days ..	Skating Only
Hesseltine Playground Area...	6 Days ..	Skating Only
Hesseltine Rink	10 Days ..	Hockey Only
Lebanon Playground Area.....	3 Days ..	Skating Only
Lincoln Playground Area.....	12 Days ..	Skating Only
Messenger's Playground Area..	9 Days ..	Skating Only
Mt. Hood Pond No. 1	13 Days ..	Skating Only
Mt. Hood Pond No. 2	9 Days ..	Hockey Only
Mt. Hood Pond No. 3	6 Days ..	Hockey & Skating

Bathhouse and Beach

The Ell Pond Bathhouse and Beach officially opened on June 27th and closed on September 6th.

Although the attendance was lower than previous years for the month of August for such a hot summer, it was considered a very successful season with a daily average of 123,1 persons. We believe that the decline in the daily attendance may be attributed to the fear of Poliomyelitis which took Melrose and surrounding cities in its grasp.

There were four hundred sixty-two application blanks filled out by parents who wished to enroll their children in swimming classes.

Classes were conducted in the following manner:-

BEGINNER Classes of which 11 out of 18 passed the test and received Red Cross Certificates.

INTERMEDIATE Classes.

JUNIOR LIFE SAVING Classes.

SENIOR LIFE SAVING Classes.

SWIMMING Classes.

ADVANCE SWIMMING Classes.

Twenty-one Red Cross Certificates were issued.

The Annual Water Carnival was held at Ell Pond Beach on Saturday, August 27th with an estimated crowd of three hundred present to watch the boys and girls of Melrose match their aquatic skills in swimming and diving events. The concluding event was an exhibition of fancy diving by the Head Life Guard, Richard Eames and others.

The awards consisting of gold and silver plated medals and printed red and blue ribbons were presented the winners by the Honorable Thomas L. Thistle, Mayor.

Swain's Pond

This new swimming area was opened on July 1st with two Life Guards in attendance from 10 A.M. until 8 P.M. every day.

Due to the fact, that bathing was not restricted to Melrose residents only, there were days when the daily attendance was over 1,000 bathers.

On July 6th this pond was closed as a result of bacterial examination of the water by the State Board of Health.

It was felt that the dry, hot summer with very little rain fall and the increased bathing load undoubtedly caused the closing of this pond.

Playground and Recreation

The Playgrounds opened on June 22nd and closed on August 30th after a successful season.

Attendance for 1949 Summer Season

<u>Location</u>	<u>Daily Average</u>	<u>Season Total</u>
Common	122.1	6109
Gooch	47.0	2351
Hesseltine	54.9	2748
Lebanon	54.7	2738
Lincoln	130.3	6517
Messenger's	44.6	2232
Workshop - Girls	24.6	1209
Bathhouse - Ell Pond	123.1	8747
Swain's Pond	436.6	10043

There were two Recreation Supervisors, one female Handicraft Leader, one Clerk, with two Leaders at the Common; Hesseltine: Lebanon and Lincoln; and one Leader at both Gooch and Messenger's Playgrounds.

Handicraft

These Classes were held as usual on the Playgrounds each morning and at the Coolidge School basement afternoons where the children were taught and instructed in using their hands to make pot holders, bean bags, costume jewelry, some woodwork and various other articles.

Fourth of July Celebration

Appropriate children's movies were held at the Melrose Theatre for the children on the morning of July 4th with two shows being held.

Free ice cream and an American flag were presented all children under 14 years of age. Both performances had a record crowd in spite of the 100 degree heat.

Field Day

The Annual Playground Field Day was held at Pine Banks Park where the children were transported in the Park Department truck with free tonic being furnished the youngsters to go with their lunches.

Approximately 400 children enjoyed the day with games, races and contests being in evidence.

A Treasure Hunt was held for the younger children with candy and peanuts properly wrapped and hidden in the nearby wall; the blueberry pie eating contest took the spot light with the slightly different attraction of the watermelon contest coming into focus this year bringing many laughs and cheers from the younger spectators.

Pet Show

The big Pet Show for all the Playgrounds was held at 6 P.M. on the Athletic Field where cats, dogs and miscellaneous animals were primmed and dressed up for the prizes which were awarded by Chairman, Harold W. Poole, of the Park Commission.

Doll Carriage and Costume Parade

The Parade is the final and closing event of the summer playgrounds and creates much interest among the children. It is the desire of the department to urge the children to decorate their own carriages and made or assemble their own costumes, thus teaching them to be creative with themselves as well as entertaining themselves.

The Parade marched up Main Street turned into Crystal Street and terminated at the Athletic Field where the judging took place, and Mayor Thistle awarded the appropriate prizes. After which races were run off and the children participating were treated to ice cream by the department.

Track Meet

A successful Track Meet was held on the Athletic Field for the grammar school children with 150 entrants on Saturday, June 4th which was the 4th annual affair.

Tennis Instruction

Instruction in playing tennis was started this year with classes being held on the tennis courts throughout the City for the children for a 10 week period during the summer vacation period.

Melrose Junior Fish and Game Club

A new type of program with Melrose being used as a training center was conducted by the Massachusetts Fish and Game Association under the auspices of the Park Department.

The program included sessions on game, fish, forestry, fire fighting, game birds, fish and game law enforcement stressing on gun safety, soil conservation and fishing.

Ski School - Mount Hood Park

A Ski School was held at the Mt Hood Park with three inside Saturday classes being held in the, "Geo.W. Rogers Memorial Hall".

There were 120 children signed up for instruction in skiing, and it is hoped that further outdoor instruction can be continued another year, as this was an adverse year with the weather conditions not conducive for winter sports.

Melrose Girl Scout Day Camp and Winter Sports' Day

For four consecutive years the Girl Scouts enjoyed the Mount Hood Park site for their two to three week Day Camp. In this large wooded area they are encouraged to plan, work and play together in the out-of-doors. They all make many friends and enjoy themselves all day long under their Scout Leaders.

The Annual Winter Sports' Day was held on Saturday, February 5th at the No. 1 Pond at Mt. Hood.

Skating, coasting and various games were conducted with pony rides on Cynthia Kenney's pony.

Hot cocoa was served at the first fireplace with a cook-out at noon.

Hallowe'en Party

Over 1,500 children joined in the City-wide Hallowe'en Celebration and frolicked in their annual Halloween observations at the Park Department's Dance, Parade and Vaudeville entertainment.

The dance floor at the rear of the Fire Station was jammed with Teen-Agers dancing while the younger fry in their Costumes enjoyed a two-hour professional entertainment in Memorial Hall.

Mayor Thistle, the Park Commission, Board of Aldermen and other City Officials assisted in making this an enjoyable evening of fun for the children. A minimum of damage and vandalism was reported as the results.

Athletic Field

Improvements with the new Bleachers completed last year have been very much appreciated and enjoyed this year.

The new Field House was completed and an official opening held on September 30th.

This entire building is heated by oil, equipped with public toilet facilities for men and women; visitors and freshmen locker room; varsity locker room; varsity coach room; 125 steel lockers and a first aid room.

Ski Tow

Late in December the Ski Tow building with a ticket office which was started in October was completed and ready for operation. It has a 100 H. P. Industrial engine capable of handling 1,200 skiers per hour, equipped with approximately 500 lineal feet of rope tow, and automatic safety device.

The Ski Tow is ideally located near the 1st Tee and refreshment stand on the Golf Course in the Mt. Hood Park.

The area is properly flood-lighted not only to take care of the Ski Tow but also to accommodate coasting and skiing.

The popular attraction for the children and adults in the City should be practically completed with favorable snow conditions.

Golf Lessons

A new venture in the expansion of the recreational program in the form of a Golf School for the Teen-Agers and adults was started with a small fee for each lesson, but their response did not warrant the continuance.

The Park Commission hope that these classes can be renewed if keener interest is shown.

Christmas Lighting

The Ell Pond Bathhouse was illuminated with electric lights for the Christmas season every evening for 2 weeks; a decorated tree in the Horace Mann Park; the Recreational Building at Mt. Hood which owing to its location and setting, displays a very beautiful picture and on the island at the front pond at the entrance to the Park an unusual display of the , "Three Wise Men".

New Development

Work on enlarging the Lebanon Playground was started this fall which gives this area practically one-third more space.

The Park Commission hope to complete this project in the spring which will give this section of the City a much needed larger Playground.

Work on the newly acquired Swain's Pond was undertaken in the early summer and a small bathing beach was made at the southwesterly end of the pond where the water is shallow and safer for bathing.

The bottom of the pond was cleaned; a sluiceway was constructed and 1,000 tons of sand dumped into the bathing area and along the shore.

Residents of the section cleared a growth of trees and brush from the slope extending upward from the pond.

The newly acquired piece of land in the southwesterly section of the City near Conant Road has been purchased for a Playground.

Work on this Playground has been started by the use of a bull-dozer to help clear this plot, trees and brush removed and some fill used to fill in this proposed Playground.

We hope to have part of this area in shape for use when the Playground season opens.

The land next to Ell Pond on the Tremont Street side is gradually being filled in and reclaimed. When this is completed it will add much to the beautification of Ell Pond.

A parcel of land situated north of Melrose Street and the easterly line of Belmont Street has been turned over to the Park Commission for the purpose of laying out and improving for a public Park.

Mount Hood Park

The Mt. Hood Park each year becomes more and more an all round Recreational Area for both the children as well as the adults. It is known as the most interesting area for winter sports in this part of the State.

During the winter months when we are favored with our usual good winter weather for making ice for skating and snow for skiing and coasting, it is a busy and picturesque place.

A special hill is designated and posted for coasting only as well as a slope for skiing; No. 1 Pond for Skating Only with an area on the back pond fenced off for the fancy skaters; No. 2 Pond for the hockey players and fans and No. 3 Pond for any form of skating desired.

Now that the Ski Tow has been completed, the area flood-lighted and with the large parking areas it is expected to attract even more of our Melrose residents, not only to participate but to witness the healthy and wholesome recreation.

Many nearby schools from out-of-town hold their All Day Winter Sports' Day in the Park for which a nominal fee is charged, and all groups are properly supervised.

The fireplaces along the Road and Nature Trail are very popular for family suppers as well as church and children's groups.

Many hiking groups terminate their trips at the tower and enjoy the fireplaces for weenie roasts.

The Slayton Memorial Tower on a clear day affords a birds eye view of the Blue Hills, Beaches and far distant historical Buildings, Etc.,

Fishing is a popular pastime for the younger boys who spend many hours at a time enjoying this form of recreation on the Ponds located in this Park.

The, "George W. Rogers Memorial Hall" with its huge stone fireplace is very popular for Dances, Parties, and also Banquets and Wedding Receptions with seventy rentals in 1949.

The usual golf enthusiasts are ever present with their annual Tournaments and Play-offs held at the end of the Golf season.

Tufts College Golf Team practiced and played all of their home matches here.

The Golf Course officially opened on the 9th day of April and closed on November 30th this year.

Due to the intense heat which slowed down the golf activity, it was considered a successful season with 23,877 rounds of golf being played.

Source of Revenue	-1948-	-1949-
Subscriptions	\$ 7,250.00	..\$7,395.00
Daily Fees	9,305.25	.. 9,796.25
Locker Rentals.....	850.00	.. 745.00
Transient Lockers.....	448.45	.. 449.50
Hall Rentals.....	2,864.00	.. 2,798.00
Rental-Quarters,Tel.Comm,Elec,Etc..	319.10	.. 369.40
Fireplace Permits & Wood	80.75	.. 106.25
Concession.....	1.00	.. 1.00
	<u>\$ 21,118.55</u>	<u>\$ 21,660.40</u>

In closing may I express my sincere appreciation to His Honor, the Mayor and the members of the Park Commission all of whom have given whole-hearted co-operation and enthusiastic support.

To the members of the Board of Aldermen and many other persons who assisted in our program as Judges of events, etc., and for the co-operation of the heads of the departments, please accept my sincere thanks for your help and co-operation.

I believe that every person working in the Department is to be commended for their interest shown in their work, and the manner in which they performed their duties for which I personally thank them.

Respectfully submitted,

Francis J. Meahan
Assistant Superintendent

FINANCIAL STATEMENTGeneral Administration - Salaries & Wages

Appropriation.....	\$ 7,595.80
Expenditures:-	
Payrolls.....	\$ 7,595.80

General Administration - Other Expenses

Appropriation.....	\$ 800.00
Expenditures:-	
Insurance.....	\$ 128.33
Office Supplies.....	382.77
Printing - Advertising.....	66.37
Telephone.....	200.06
	<u>777.53</u>
Unexpended Balance.....	\$ 22.47

All Other Salaries & Wages

Appropriation.....	\$ 34,000.00
Appropriation.....	4,700.00
Liability Insurance - Payments.....	117.85
	<u>38,817.85</u>
Transferred to, " Ski Tow - Mt. Hood".....	835.00
	<u>\$ 37,982.85</u>
Expenditures:-	
Payrolls.....	\$ 29,993.91
Unexpended Balance.....	\$ 7,988.94

All Other Expenses

Appropriation.....	\$ 6,000.00
Tax Refunds - Gasoline.....	3.29
	<u>\$ 6,003.29</u>
Expenditures:-	
Automotive Insurance.....	\$ 385.20
Labor Insurance.....	924.44
Printing - Advertising.....	77.82
Aggregate Materials.....	93.16
Playground Supplies & Equipment.....	1,468.75
Automotive Maintenance.....	1,110.61
First Aid Supplies.....	65.63
Paint - Hardware - Lumber.....	151.56
Tools - Repairs.....	506.68
Telephone - Electricity.....	139.90
Repairs Buildings.....	81.96
Water - Service.....	123.95
Fuel - Heat - Service.....	238.07
Plants, Seedlings, Etc.....	91.21
	<u>\$ 5,458.94</u>
Unexpended Balance.....	\$ 544.35

Athletic Field - Maintenance & Operation

Appropriation.....	\$ 5,000.00
Expenditures:-	
Services - Insurance.....	\$ 3,343.00
Aggregate Materials.....	743.62
Tools - Repairs.....	16.42
Water - Service.....	140.60
Paint - Bleachers.....	151.18
Rental - Equipment.....	89.00
Fertilizer - Grass Seed.....	168.00
	<u>\$ 4,651.82</u>
Unexpended Balance.....	\$ 348.18

Athletic Field - Seating

Balance from 1947.....	\$	57,591.59
Transferred to, "Toilet & Field House".....		50,515.42
	\$	7,076.17

Expenditures:-

Bleachers and Construction	\$	7,034.12
Engineers' Services.....		42.05

Balance to 1950.....	\$	7,076.17
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Backstop - Lincoln Playground

Balance from 1948.....	\$	361.00
Same Carried to 1950		

Dedication - "The George W. Rogers Memorial Hall"

Balance from 1948.....	\$	94.03
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....		50.03
	\$	44.00

Expenditures:-

Plaque and Installation.....	\$	44.00
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Ell Pond Wall - Repair

Balance from 1947.....	\$	191.20
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....	\$	191.20

Flagpoles - Paint (One Coat)

Appropriation.....	\$	150.00
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....		16.00
	\$	134.00

Expenditures:-

Paint Flagpoles.....	\$	134.00
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Hallowe'en - Fourth of July Celebration & Christmas Decorations

Appropriation.....	\$	800.00
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Expenditures:-

Fourth of July Celebration.....	\$	282.50
Hallowe'en Party.....		289.00
Christmas Decorations.....		106.82
	\$	678.32

Unexpended Balance.....	\$	121.68
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Junior Fish and Game Club

Appropriation.....	\$	350.00
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Expenditures:-

Services and Insurance.....	\$	245.22
Rental - Film.....		1.70
	\$	246.92

Unexpended Balance.....	\$	103.08
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Hockey Rink - Gravel Fill & Repairing

Balance from 1946.....	\$	780.12
Same Carried to 1950		

Holidays - Labor Vacation - Insurance

Appropriation.....	\$	3,000.00
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....		88.82
	\$	2,911.18

Expenditures:-	\$	2,595.12
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Unexpended Balance.....	\$	316.06
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Golf Maintenance & Operation

Appropriation from, "Mt. Hood Park Receipts".....	\$ 25,265.00	
Refunds.....	52.70	
	<u>\$ 25,317.70</u>	

Expenditures:-

Services.....	\$ 14,398.83
Bonds - Insurance.....	503.28
Printing - Advertising	77.99
Golf Supplies.....	482.94
Automotive & Insurance.....	587.13
Tools - Supplies - Repairs.....	583.49
Fertilizer - Fungicides.....	195.21
Aggregate Materials.....	280.50
Water - Service.....	2.00
Laundry - Soap - Towels.....	328.82
Repairs - Buildings & Shelters.....	40.49
Golf Lessons - Children & Adults.....	68.00
New Equipment.....	234.22
	<u>\$ 17,782.90</u>

Balance to, "Mt. Hood Park Receipts".....	\$ 7,534.80
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Hose - 1"

Appropriation.....	\$ 175.00
Expenditures:-	<u>\$ 174.29</u>
Unexpended Balance.....	\$.71

Land - Playgrounds

Carried from 1946.....	\$ 500.00
Same Carried to 1950	

Lebanon Street Playground - Enlargement

Appropriation.....	\$ 2,000.00
Expenditures:-	
"Ads".....	\$ 4.50
Rentals - Equipment.....	1,263.50
	<u>\$ 1,268.00</u>
Balance to 1950.....	\$ 732.00

Mowing Unit - Parks

Appropriation.....	\$ 225.00
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....	<u>20.00</u>
	\$ 205.00
Expenditures:-	
Blitzer Unit.....	\$ 205.00

New Car

Carried from 1947.....	\$ 1,000.00
Expenditures:-.....	<u>\$ 1,000.00</u>

New Equipment

Balance from 1947.....	\$ 196.50
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....	<u>196.50</u>

Purchase Land for Playground

Appropriation.....	\$ 2,875.00
Expenditures:-.....	<u>\$ 2,875.00</u>

Operation - Recreation Building

Appropriation from, "Mt. Hood Park Receipts".....	\$ 4,925.00
Expenditures:-	
Services - Insurance.....	\$ 2,798.37
Electricity.....	209.60
Fuel Oil - Service.....	673.77
Printing - Advertising.....	19.53
Janitor & Building Supplies.....	350.82
Water - Service.....	62.60
Repairs.....	218.63
Matting - Locker Rooms.....	122.50
New Equipment - Floor Machine.....	260.50
	<u>\$ 4,716.32</u>
Balance to, "Mt. Hood Park Receipts".....	\$ 208.68

Out-of-State Travel

Appropriation Transfer from, "Golf Maintenance & Operation"..	\$ 6.00
Expenditures:-	
Conference - Kingston, R. I.....	\$ 6.00

Parks - Playgrounds and Beach Improvement

Appropriation transfer from, "Replacement - One Truck".....	\$ 1,200.00
Expenditures:-	
Aggregate Materials.....	\$ 171.24
Rental Equipment & Services.....	270.18
	<u>\$ 441.42</u>
Balance to 1950.....	\$ 758.58

Patching Roadways, Etc., - Mt. Hood Park

Balance from 1946.....	\$ 52.48
Appropriation.....	875.00
	<u>\$ 927.48</u>
Expenditures:-	
Tarvia, Cold Patch and Service.....	\$ 927.48

Recreation Building - Ell Pond

Balance from 1937.....	\$ 2,811.71
Same Carried to 1950	

Replace Caretaker Mower - Parks

Appropriation.....	\$ 685.00
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase".....	65.00
	<u>\$ 620.00</u>
Expenditures:-	
"Ads" for Bids.....	\$ 1.50
Caretaker Mower.....	618.50
	<u>\$ 620.00</u>

Replace Truck - One

Appropriation.....	\$ 2,800.00
Transferred to, "Park-Playgrounds and Beach Improvement"....	1,200.00
	<u>\$ 1,600.00</u>
Expenditures:-	
"Ads" for Bids.....	\$ 5.00
Truck and Accessories.....	1,592.38
	<u>\$ 1,597.38</u>
Unexpended Balance.....	\$ 2.62

Ski School - Mt. Hood Park

Balance from 1948.....	\$	61.10
Expenditures:-		
Film.....	\$	23.00
Stop Watch.....	\$	16.25
	\$	<u>40.25</u>

Ski Tow - Mt. Hood Park

Appropriation transfer from, "W.P.A. Parks & Playgrounds"..	\$	4,530.42
Appropriation transfer from, "All Other Salaries & Wages"..	\$	835.00
	\$	<u>5,365.42</u>
Expenditures:-		
Ski Tow.....	\$	2,427.00
" Ads ".....		5.05
Services.....		1,429.83
Aggregate Materials.....		222.58
Lumber - Hardware.....		290.93
Paint and Supplies.....		47.08
Electric Installation & Floodlights.....		388.75
Operating Supplies.....		103.14
	\$	<u>4,914.36</u>
Balance to 1950.....	\$	<u>451.06</u>

Snow Thrower - Purchase

Appropriation Transfer from, " Replace Caretaker Mower "...	\$	65.00
" " " " " Dedication G.W.Rogers M.Hall"		50.03
" " " " " Ell Pond Wall - Repair "....		191.20
" " " " " Mowing Unit - Parks ".....		20.00
" " " " " New Equipment ".....		196.50
" " " " " Paint Flagpoles ".....		16.00
" " " " " Swain's Pond - Improvement".		37.45
" " " " " Holidays-Lab. Vaca. & Ins"....		88.82
	\$	<u>665.00</u>
Expenditures:-		
Snow Thrower.....	\$	665.00

Spray Gun & Compressor Unit

Appropriation.....	\$	350.00
Same Carried to 1950		

Swain's Pond - Improvement

Appropriation.....	\$	2,000.00
Transferred to, "Snow Thrower - Purchase ".....	\$	37.45
	\$	<u>1,962.55</u>
Expenditures:-		
" Ads".....	\$	2.30
Rental - Equipment.....		494.00
Services - Insurance.....		98.15
Aggregate Materials.....		970.00
Pipe and Supplies.....		398.10
	\$	<u>1,962.55</u>

Swings - Lebanon Street Playground

Balance from 1948.....	\$	40.48
Same Carried to 1950		

W.P.A. Parks & Playgrounds

Balance from 1941.....	\$	4,530.42
Transferred to, "Ski Tow - Mt. Hood Park ".....		4,530.42

Toilet & Field House

Appropriation Transfer from, "Athletic Field - Seating".....	\$50,515.42
Appropriation.....	5,000.00
	<u>\$55,515.42</u>
Expenditures:-	
Advertising and Printing.....	\$ 19.42
Engineers' Services.....	3,445.42
Contractor.....	47,616.00
Lockers & Platform for Same.....	1,793.12
Services & Supplies.....	497.85
Winterize Plumbing & Heating System.....	111.31
	<u>\$53,483.12</u>
Balance to 1950.....	\$ 2,032.30

Winter Sports

Appropriation.....	\$ 200.00
Expenditures:-	
Services - Ski School.....	\$ 34.65
Flag Poles & Flags.....	46.64
	<u>\$ 81.29</u>
Balance to 1950	\$ 118.71

REPORT OF PINE BANKS PARK

To his Honor, The Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen
Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

As Superintendent of Pine Banks Park, I herewith submit the following report for the year 1949.

The park was visited by approximately 75,000 people during the year.

The Pine Banks Youth program is growing every year. We show movies at the Malden High School every Friday during the winter months. We have 700 children at each program. These shows start at 6.30 P.M. and the children are out and on their way home at 8.45 P.M. In the summer we show movies every Thursday evening at the ball field and have about 2500 children and their parents. The youth program sponsored two Christmas parties, one on December 22nd at Melrose Memorial Hall for Melrose children which numbered 800. On December 23rd at Gay Auditorium, Malden High School for the Malden children and there were 800 present. This makes a total of 1600 in all. Each child brought a gift and exchanged them on the way out of the hall. The park gave candy to each one present and both parties were entertained by three acts of vaudeville at the cost of \$100.00 for both affairs.

On March 16-17-18, 1949 the Malden Chamber of Commerce gave a space at their exhibit at the Malden Armory to the Pine Banks Park Youth Program, to show what the park is doing for the youth of Malden and Melrose. It was one of the best exhibits in the hall and received many compliments on the work that the boys were doing at their bench. They explained to the public how their planes were built and flown. With the help of Pres. George P. Shelton and Vice Pres. Paul Varney of the Pine Banks Piston Pushers this event was a great success.

On June 11th a New England Model Airplane meet under the auspices of the Malden Tercentenary Committee Inc. was held at Pine Banks Park. This show attracted boys from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Eighteen trophies and thirty six other prizes were awarded to the winners of the various classes. The committee gave \$600.00 to sponsor this meet. Approximately 5000 witnessed this great show and there were 46 contestants. The Pine Banks Piston Pushers travelled to various parts of New England to compete in other meets.

On June 12th the "Pine Banks Park Youth Program" had a float in the Tercentenary parade sponsored by "Lawson Machine and Tool Company". The float represented a flying field and was adorned with planes made by the boys of the

club. One plane which was on top of the float had an eight foot wing spread and was piloted by six year old Jerry Lander. Members of the club were on the rear of the float working on their planes and starting motors. The float was escorted on foot by George P. Shelton, Paul Varney, Ray Meuse and Supt. George F. Cray. Received many compliments, thanks to the generosity of Mr. Chester Lawson.

The zoo and playgrounds attracted many people during the summer months. The playground was assembled on May 1st and was in constant use until taken down Oct. 28th. On June 6th someone clipped the wires on the monkey cage and liberated them for three days. June 9th they were caught by the employees of the park after much vigilance.

Thirty five hundred plants were grown in the greenhouse and these were set out in the flower beds in May. The park purchased 2000 tulip bulbs which were planted in October. This will be the first display of tupils since 1940.

The pond attracted children of all ages for skating in the winter and fishing in the summer. Through the co-operation of Sen. Whittier the pond at the park is to be stocked with fish in the spring of 1950 by the Dept. of Fisheries and Game of the state.

There were a great many outings at the park. The Malden and Melrose YMCA day camps used the fields for their sports and games. Melrose Park Dept., many church groups kindergartens and other groups had their outings here. On Sept. 17th the Malden Junior Police had their annual outing with 1000 boys taking part. Various games were enjoyed and box lunches were served to each boy present.

A second fireplace was built and this along with the other were used very often by family groups and clubs.

A new rustic arch was built, at the entrance, by park employees to replace the old one that was built some fifty years ago. The stock for this was taken from the park.

The ball fields were in great demand all summer. The Melrose YMCA softball league used the fields Monday and Wednesday evenings. The fields were also used by Malden Banks softball teams, Malden Rams, New England Tel. and Tel. St. Mary's girls softvall, Malden Electric Co., Ferry St. Garage, Melrose K.C., St. Mary's CYO junior and senior baseball Melrose baseball club, Malden church leagues and many others.

In October there were plans drawn up by Walter Liebermann of Melrose, for a new fieldhouse at the ball grounds for this coming year. This is very much needed as there are no toilet facilities or dressings rooms for the visiting

ball clubs who visit our park. This building, if granted to the park, will have dressing rooms for men and women which will consist of showers and toilets. There will be two separate lavatories for the public. This building will be built of red antique brick and tiled inside. It is planned at this time to dedicate this building to the late Elisha S. Converse who gave the park to the cities of Malden and Melrose back in 1905.

In October the park employees set out 250 spruce trees that were given to the park by the state in 1944. These trees were transplanted from the park nursery where they were first set to start growing. Twenty dead pine trees were taken down throughout the park this year. This was cut into lumber of 3050 ft. of board were realized at the cost of \$50.00. This lumber is to be used for necessary repairs to park buildings.

A sickle bar was purchased for the use of cutting high grass and under growth which grows in various parts of the park. Cost of this bar was \$195.00.

In November an amplifier was purchased at the cost of \$70.00. This is to be used by the youth program for its activities. It was used during the Christmas holidays to play carols for the public. The Supt.'s home and the arch were decorated by colored lights and made a very impressive sight.

I wish to thank my trustees, my employees, Malden and Melrose Police Depts. and all other departments who in any way assisted me this past year in making Pine Banks Park the favorite playgrounds of both cities.

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Cray
Superintendent, Pine Banks Park

IN MEMORIAN

LOUIS B. HEATON

Appointed Feb.23,1932 Died Mar.19, 1949

Report of Pine Banks Park 1949

Cash on hand December 31, 1949 in the First National Bank Savings Department, as shown by Pass Book #15223 \$655.14

Appropriations

City of Malden

For salaries \$5011.00

For expenses 1875.00

\$6886.00

City of Melrose

For salaries \$5011.20

For expenses 1300.00

Youth work 575.006886.20

Total Appropriations for both cities

\$13772.20

Expenditures

City of Malden wages \$4992.00

City of Melrose wages 4992.00

Expenditures City of Melrose

Youth Program 575.00

Sundry expense Bills

Youth program 322.38

Telephone 102.93

Electricity 49.92

Insurance - regular 288.45

Insurance - dump truck 180.82

Taxes-water 33.46

Auto expenses 378.49

Hardware and Misc. expenses

1030.39

Animal feed and coal, oil 725.94

and seed

Ice for drinking fountain 28.20

Office supplies 31.35

\$13731.33

Unexpended balance

City of Malden 20.28

City of Melrose 20.5940.87

Total Expenditures for both cities

\$13772.20

Robert A. Hodgdon
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The City Planning Board herewith submits its report for the year of 1949.

Six regular meetings and one special meeting were very well attended. Two hearings were called by the Board and all meetings of the Board of Aldermen on hearings held by them relative to City Planning were attended.

The first hearing called by the Planning Board resulted in permissive use being granted for a convalescent home at 743 Main Street. The second hearing approved a new subdivision called Elmcrest Circle. The Planning Board made an exhaustive study of the feasibility of the "cul-de-sac" type of street. After conferring with five surrounding city governments as well as Melrose city departments, the unanimous opinion of the Board was that this is the only solution for certain types of terrain, providing the turn-around has at least a forty-five foot radius.

The Board members attended a hearing held by the Board of Aldermen, which followed a previous hearing held by the Planning Board, which resulted in rezoning to Business "A" the entire block bounded by Myrtle, West Foster, Essex and Main Streets. This, it is hoped, will promote business expansion and parking facilities.

Preliminary plans submitted on Russet Lane, an extension of Sherwood Road, were carefully studied by the Board.

A seriously considered recommendation was made to His Honor, the Mayor, to take immediate steps to acquire suitable land for a play field near the easterly ends of Wards Four and Six, as the Board feels that at a later date such a play field may otherwise become unobtainable.

The Board has been gratified to observe the increased interest in the Adams Report published by the Planning Board in April, 1948, as evidenced by the many requests for copies.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY PLANNING BOARD

Edward F. Riley
Chairman.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

January 6, 1950

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Chapter 29 of the Revised Ordinances, I respectfully submit the Annual Report of the Melrose Police Department, for the year ending December 31, 1949.

Number of duty calls	72028
Number of Telephone calls	8875
Number of radio calls	3355
Number of ambulance calls	590

Arrests for the year 1949 Crimes against the person

Assault and Battery	14 Males	0 Females
Assault with intent to murder	1 Male	0 Females
Threats and Intimidation	1 Male	0 Females
Assault and Battery on Police Officer	1 Male	0 Females
Rape	4 Males	0 Females
Total	21 Males	0 Females

Offenses against property

Breaking & Entering & Larceny	6 Males	0 Females
Larceny	8 Males	0 Females
Using Motor Vehicle w/o authority	3 Males	0 Females
Forgery and Uttering	0 Males	1 Female
Damage to Property	1 Male	0 Females
Arson	1 Male	0 Females
Receiving Stolen Property	2 Males	0 Females
Total	21 Males	1 Female

Offenses against public order

City Ordinance violation	7 Males	0 Females
Drunkness	47 Males	3 Females
Motor Vehicle violations	229 Males	22 Females
Traffic violations	93 Males	16 Females
Operating M.V. under influence	8 Males	0 Females
Insane	9 Males	2 Females
Non-support	14 Males	0 Females
Violation of probation	7 Males	0 Females
Truancy	1 Male	1 Female
Indecent Exposure	3 Males	0 Females
Nonpayment of wages	1 Male	0 Females
A.W.O.L. - Military	1 Male	0 Females
Illegitimacy	3 Males	0 Females
Keeping unlicensed dog	2 Males	0 Females
Default	2 Males	0 Females

Unnatural acts	1 Male	0 Females
Stubborn child	1 Male	0 Females
Keeping & Exposing food from unclean establishment	1 Male	0 Females
Total	430 Males	44 Females

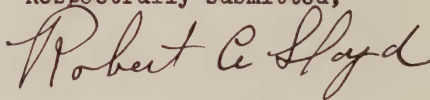
Miscellaneous Business

Arrests on Warrants	49
Arrests without warrants	504
Total	553
Males	508
Females	45
Minors	1
Delinquents	16
Residents	179
Non-residents	374
Insane Male	9
Insane Female	2
In Court	534
Number of Cases	756
Assisted in Arrests	83
Accidents reported	406
Ambulance Cases	590
Automobiles stopped and warned	2410
Automobiles tagged (1843 3-Way summonses issued out of 3092 tags)	3092
Buildings found open	327
Cases investigated	1988
Dead bodies found	3
Defective streets and sidewalks	29
Defective hydrants and pipes	1
Defective wires	3
Disturbances suppressed	12
Dogs killed	16
Fire alarms attended	118
Fire alarms given	20
Fires extinguished without alarm	5
Lanterns hung in dangerous places	28
Letters delivered	190
Lost children restored	56
Notices served	24
Sick and injured persons assisted	128
Street lights reported out	184
Street obstruction reported or removed	6
Summonses served	642
Visits to libraries	179
Water leaks reported	11
Traffic duty	18813
Special messages	185
Extra duty	81
Dog bites	1
Dead animals	23
Vacant houses	5992
Autos stolen	3
Autos recovered	11

Amount of property recovered in city	\$9283.40
Amount of property stolen in city	\$5720.00
Lost property returned to owner	\$8916.40
Missing persons reported	7
Missing persons located	6
Gas leaks reported	1

At the present time the Auxiliary Police are inactive as police officers. However they still are active as an organization and I know they are ready and willing to assist in any emergency that might arise.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert A. Lloyd,
Lieutenant in Charge,
Melrose Police Department

REPORT OF PROPERTY VALUATION BOARD

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The Property Valuation Board submits herewith its annual report for the year 1949. During the year the following parcels of land were disposed of.

Lot No.	29-30 Bay State Road	\$ 400.00
Lot No.	31-32 Bay State Road	300.00
Lot No.	6 Cargill Street	400.00
Lot No.	14 Chipmond Avenue	1.00
Lot No.	157-158 Hawley Road	50.00
Lot No.	107-108 Leah Street	400.00
Lot No.	B Norman Road, rear	100.00
Lot No.	5 Spear Street	500.00
Pt. Lot No.	29 Spear Street	1.00

\$2,152.00

Respectfully submitted,

Norman D. McDonald

Malcolm G. Tillman

Norman B. Bessett
Chairman

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

February 2, 1950

To His Honor the Mayor and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen of
the City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Trustees of the Public Library submit their report for 1949.

Respectfully,

William L. Carney

Chairman

REPORT OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR OF 1949

TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

William L. Carney, Chairman

Hugh Nixon

Edwin W. Lundquist

Melvin H. Nicholls

Elisabeth M. Perkins

Elinor H. Tibbetts

THE LIBRARY STAFF

Helen Anderson, Librarian

Barbara G. Mason, Assistant Librarian

Caro F. Nims, Children's Librarian

Margaret Lorenz, Cataloger

Gene R. Hanks, Highlands Branch Librarian

Ruth Tyler, Reference Librarian

Rhoda M. Parmenter, Circulation Librarian

Fay Wayne, General Assistant

Joan M. Trumbly, General Assistant (Children's)

Edwin W. Allen, Building Custodian

LIBRARY STATISTICS ACCORDING TO
AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM

Name of library..... Melrose Public Library
 City and state..... Melrose, Massachusetts
 Name of librarian..... Helen Anderson
 Date of founding..... 1871
 Population..... 27,928
 Number of agencies..... Main library, 1 branch, 3 stations in schools
 Number of days open during the year..... 292
 Hours open each week..... Main library 66 (10 months); 55 (2 months)
 Number of volumes at beginning of year..... 57,144
 Number of volumes added by purchase..... 3,458
 Number of volumes added by gift..... 298
 Number of volumes withdrawn..... 1,549
 Number of volumes at end of year..... 59,351
 Circulation of books..... 160,885
 Number of registered borrowers..... 10,658

Building maintenance and improvement and the extension of service to patrons have been the main concerns of the Public Library trustees during 1949.

The renovation previously undertaken was continued by a refinishing of the stairway and hall floors, increased lighting in the stacks, new foundation planting, the installation of a water-cooler and a basin in the cataloging room, and a complete replacement of shades in the main library. An attractive new sign, fluorescent lighting, and exterior painting have considerably improved the Highlands branch.

Foremost on the list of projects for the coming year is the restoration of the MARY E. LIVERMORE Room to its original beauty and purpose. This room, dedicated as a memorial to Miss Livermore, houses the art collection purchased and maintained through the Sarah E. Odlin Fund. Accretions to the general art collection have made necessary a makeshift shelving arrangement which mars the dignity and symmetry of the room. By providing adequate space in other quarters, the Trustees plan to bring this memorial room into harmony with the improved appearance and usefulness of the rest of the library.

As an index of the service being provided to patrons, it may be noted that during the past year the number of volumes increased by two thousand, the number of books circulated by fourteen thousand, and the number of registered borrowers by fifteen hundred. The fact that more than one third of the population of Melrose are registered as library patrons testifies to the contribution the library makes to the educational and recreational needs of our community.

In planning for the future, librarians and library boards everywhere are alert to the increasing responsibility of libraries in providing cultural opportunities. Just as the Park Department of Melrose has outgrown its original function by providing outdoor recreational facilities of many types for adults and children, so the library increasingly is called upon for services once considered alien to its purpose.

Sometimes the impetus and assistance for these services come from community groups, such as the Melrose Women's Club, in its interest in the art collection; and the Melrose Lions' Club, in providing equipment for moving picture programs for children. Such additions to traditional services as the genealogical collection, the picture collection, vocational guidance material, the Great Books study group, the book talks in elementary schools, the art class, the collection of opera scores, the hospital service and service to shut-ins, and the use of the library meeting-room by community groups bear testimony to the widening conception of the library's role as the focus of the community's cultural life.

Another such service now provided by many libraries is the lending of recordings of musical masterpieces to homes and clubs. Whether the Melrose Library should sponsor this service depends upon such factors as the demand for it, the expense involved in it, and the extent to which it may be considered a legitimate function of the library.

The increased activities and patronage of the library have made it more necessary than ever that a competent and zealous staff be maintained. It has been a matter of deep concern to the Trustees that the salary level of the staff has not adequately reflected the professional competence of the present members. To replace them by equally competent librarians at the present salary scale would be impossible. Through the cooperation of the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen a beginning has been made. Much remains to be done, however, before Melrose can attract and retain replacements to its staff of such ability and training as our library merits.

The Board of Trustees takes this occasion to thank the Mayor and Aldermen for the adequate financing of the library, the Librarian and staff for their devoted service, and the citizens of Melrose for their support and patronage.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Carney

William L. Carney, Chairman,
Board of Trustees

To the Trustees of the
Melrose Public Library:

BOOKS

Books have successfully vied for first attention in this report for 1949. New book fans have found a place during the past year where they can comfortably come and browse. The weekly new book display furnishes a quick look at what is being added during that week. The browsing room contains over 500 books of the current year. During 1949 there were added 600 volumes of fiction, 40 books of philosophic or personal interest, over 50 with religious basis, about 130 with social, educational, governmental or world slant, 150 books of use to homemakers, technicians, or in country life, 135 that appeal to the sportsman, artist, and builder of new houses, 114 with literary rating, 224

for the history and travel-minded, and over 100 books about people. More than 150 current magazines attract both systematic and casual readers. A total of 2,223 volumes were added in the adult collection alone, as reported by Mrs. Lorenz.

ARE THEY USED?

In all Melrose, adults and children totaled 160,885 borrowings. After fiction which totaled 53,455, periodicals again were most popular, 10,698. Adults used the sports, houseplans, and other art books next highest, but combined with children, they used biographies, and literature more. Travel books, history, applied and social sciences were next in line. Nearly 3,000 philosophical and religious titles were borrowed.

Of the 1,573 new registrants, a number have heard of the library through its letter of invitation with the Welcome Wagon. Many of the 540 new children have come after hearing Mrs. Nims tell about books in the schools. Other people come because friends mention new books available. Newspaper articles in the Free Press and Leader also emphasize our additions. We now total 10,658 borrowers out of a population of 27,928.

TO PLEASE THE EYE

Not to neglect the older books, stronger lights were placed in the book shelf aisles. Walls have been painted throughout the building. In the entrance, floors and stairs have been sanded and refinished. A modern water cooler and smaller sink were installed in the cataloging work room.

MELROSE HISTORICAL FILE

A file of Melrose historical leaflets, pictures, programs, club records, buildings, people and reports of city departments has received a safe storage place in a new metal filing cabinet. This material, for safe keeping, is for use at the library only. It is hoped that any who have items in their homes that might have historical value will present them to this permanent file. Only papers, leaflets or small pictures can be handled at present - nothing incapable of being filed.

THE LIBRARY HAS PICTURES

A picture collection of both mounted and unmounted material numbers into the thousands. There are two types of pictures that may be borrowed, those with informational value, such as countries, birds, flowers, famous people and illustrations of costumes or objects, and there are those with art value, filed by the school of art and the individual painter, sculptor or architect. A third set of pictures to be studied at the library contains reproductions of works of art.

REFERENCE WORK

To aid in reference work there is an information file of pam-

phlets and clippings, and a quite complete file of vocational guidance material. These were handled by Mrs. Gene Hanks, reference librarian until September, when Miss Ruth Tyler took over the work here to release Mrs. Hanks for Highlands Branch. We appreciate the cooperation of High School students in making their room a place for serious study.

GREAT BOOKS STUDY GROUP

An average of twelve to fifteen people have enjoyed discussing the selections from Great Books, under the leadership of Mr. Edwin C. Kemp, aided for the first part of the year by Mr. Norval Phinney. Meetings are on alternate Friday evenings and provide a sounding board for ideas - ideas that in most of the participants might otherwise have remained dormant!

USE OF THE UPPER ROOMS

Many organizations have found the lecture room and the Art Room very useful for committee or small group meetings during the year. The Art Room is hoping for its turn in renovation during the coming months.

CHILDREN'S ROOM ACTIVITIES

The children of Melrose - over 2,800 of them - have really found their niche in the library over the past year. Their bright cheerful room has been buzzing with activity, books are easily found by grades, and by special groups, such as horse or dog stories, mysteries, and those for tiny tots. The little ones have two new tiny easy chairs and a sloping bench where they can look at picture books.

In the summer there was a fish pond in connection with the summer reading club. There was a party in the Fall for the 45 reporting on ten or more books.

In the summer also, Miss Josephine Durrell again planned music hours for the younger children with Miss Hersey, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Gittes, assisting. This is a service much appreciated.

At Christmas time Joan Trumbly made a beautiful white Santa's castle which covered a whole small table with Santa's reindeer and sleigh at the door. Other poster work and exhibits have been her special feature of the year.

Mrs. Nims reports continued interest in her book talks in the 80 classrooms of the elementary schools. She takes along about six books for each room. Many of the youngest classes sent letters of appreciation illustrated by their conception of the stories.

Mr. Donohue brought his 7th grade classes from Roosevelt School to be instructed in the use of the library.

The teachers borrowed several hundred books for their classrooms. The plan is to purchase new books in the coming year to rotate among the third grade classes of the city. Another grade will be selected another year, for a similar program.

MELROSE HIGHLANDS BRANCH

At Melrose Highlands, Mrs. Gene Hanks has been librarian since September 1. Miss Mary E. Ayers retired as librarian at the end of August, after long and fruitful service. In the course of its face-lifting process, as Mrs. Hanks calls it, the branch has had new fluorescent lights, a fresh coat of paint outside, a newly painted outdoor sign and a new magazine rack for current periodicals. Part of these improvements Miss Ayers had been urging and she had accomplished much new shelving and fresh interior painting. Her influence will long be remembered in the Highlands Branch. The book collection has been weeded periodically and during 1949 about 700 new books were added. A small workable collection, supplemented by new and borrowed books, is the aim of the branch librarian. There were 114 new adult borrowers and 133 new juvenile. The total number of borrowers now stands at close to 1700, and it is hoped that many more will continue to come.

BRANCHES IN SCHOOLS

The three branch libraries in school buildings are more cheerful in appearance, with fresh green paint in two, new signs to guide the way and many new children's books and a scattering of new adult fiction along with the regular lots borrowed from the Main collection.

Books borrowed:

Ward 7:	adult, 6,652; juvenile, 4,771
Wyoming:	adult, 3,933; juvenile, 5,389
East Side:	adult, 2,039; juvenile, 6,547

It is obvious that East Side and Wyoming have made great strides in interesting the children, while Ward 7 still leads with the adult work.

STAFF NOTES

Mary E. Ayers, after 23 years of loving and conscientious service as Highlands Branch librarian, retired in September to her home in Wolfeboro, N.H. Patrons and staff join in tribute to her kindly spirit, and many are the times we have missed her.

Violet Bostwick, another who is missed, left her position as head of the Circulation Department, to help in her father's office, and be at home in Westdale.

Gene Hanks, former reference librarian, became librarian at Highlands Branch in September.

Ruth Tyler, with many years of library experience, was appointed reference librarian.

Rhoda Parmenter, formerly general assistant, was promoted to head the Circulation Department.

Fay Wayne, who had served as page during her High School days, was made full-time general assistant.

Part-time assistants include Audrey Bergmann, cataloging assist-

ant; Pearl Rawding, Ward 7 Library; Ethel Perkins, East Side Library; Alice Waterworth, Wyoming Library; Katherine Blackwood, Main Desk assistant. Pages in 1949 were Fay Wayne, Elaine Hammerstrom, Beverly Daly, Sally Gardner, Jean Tibbetts, Jane Chisholm, Elizabeth Griffeth, Beverly George, Katherine Shepherd, Nancy Mickler, Barbara Fuller, Jean Lord, Martha Wright, Nancy Brown, Patricia Lowe, Edward Gradijan, Donald Morrison, Donald Wheeler, Stanley Barwise.

GIFTS OF BOOKS

The Hon. Angier L. Goodwin contributed a very essential set of six volumes, the United States Code, 1946 edition, with supplements to January 2, 1949. These contain the general and permanent laws of the United States. Other government titles have been secured for the library by Representative Goodwin as needed.

Mr. Edwin C. Kemp has generously continued giving of his books to the library, groups amounting to several hundred.

Over thirty other people are on record as having donated occasional volumes to our collection, all of which library users as well as those in charge sincerely appreciate.

HISTORY OF MELROSE

During the past year or two the library has been concluding the sale of the Elbridge H. Goss History of Melrose (1902), in preparation for welcoming the new one by Edwin C. Kemp which is just off the press. At the close of the year only about fifty copies of the Goss, above the number held for future library use, were left. Melrose is fortunate in having a man of Mr. Kemp's ability to continue its history to the half century mark.

ART CLASS

Mrs. Brenton R. Lutz, who continued her classes in Spanish art, reports that the average attendance has grown to around fourteen. Guests or new members are always welcome. Velasquez and Murillo were studied in 1949 and after the Spanish, German art will be taken up.

HOSPITAL SERVICE

Miss Rhoda Parmenter, at the end of September, started taking a group of library books to the Melrose Hospital and distributing them to the patients each Friday morning. In the slightly over three months, over 200 books were borrowed. Miss Parmenter's interest has been greatly appreciated.

BOY SCOUT SERVICE

Future plans were also laid by Boy Scout leaders to offer the service of taking library books to shut-ins who lack facilities for transporting them. We hope to make further contacts with people in need of such service.

GARDEN CLUBS

The Melrose Gardeners became interested in planning the planting of some evergreens at the library entrance and also contributed chrysanthemum plants in the landscaping.

The Melrose Garden Club have continued their flower arrangements which add beauty and an atmosphere of charm to the library.

OPERA SCORES

In the music section, over twenty operas and operettas have recently been added. That brings us more up to date in the field of new operettas and popular older operas.

Another year of progress has been made possible by the cooperative spirit of the Trustees. The librarian appreciates their support in efforts to bring salaries up to a minimum for trained librarians. The interest of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen in improving the library facilities has been appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Anderson

Librarian

CREDITS AND DEBITS FROM APPROPRIATIONS,
TRANSFERS AND FINES

	Credits	Debits	Balance Dec. 31, 1949
Salaries and wages	\$27,334.00	\$26,537.89	\$ 796.11
Other expenses	1,500.00	1,498.26	1.74
Books and periodicals	8,245.95*	7,940.06	305.89
			(back to fines)
Fuel and light	1,900.00	1,839.67	60.33
Building and janitor's supplies	2,500.00	2,496.06	3.94
Binding	1,200.00	1,192.59	7.41
New equipment	550.00**	549.04	.96
Remodeling-children's room, etc.	267.36	252.15	15.21
carried over from 1948			
Remodeling-painting and lighting	1,500.00 \$44,997.31	1,477.50 \$43,783.22	22.50 \$1,214.09
Fines	\$ 3,799.87	\$ 1,750.00	\$2,049.87

*Includes \$4,000 appropriated; \$2,741.80 dog tax; \$1,500 from fines account; \$4.15 refunded by a company.

**Includes \$250 transferred from fines account.

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM FUNDS
IN THE CUSTODY OF THE CITY TREASURER

	Balance Jan. 1, 1949	Income	Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1949
William E. Bailey fund	\$2,894.58	\$ 50.00		\$2,944.58
William E. Barrett fund	195.00	1.50		197.38
Horatio N. Perkins fund	644.56	10.00		654.56
Duplicate library fund	56.08	221.67	244.60	33.15
	\$3,790.22	\$283.17	\$244.60	\$3,829.67

INCOME AND DISBURSEMENTS FROM TRUST FUNDS OF WHICH
THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY ARE TRUSTEES

	Balance Jan. 1, 1949	Income	Disbursements	Balance Dec. 31, 1949
Sarah A. Chever fund	\$ 633.02	\$12.72		\$ 645.74
Jabez S. Dyer fund	1,030.25	20.70		1,050.95
(Melrose Savings Bank)				
	100.00			100.00
(Melrose Trust Co.)				
Sarah E. Odlin fund	2,330.25	46.80	3.50	2,373.55
	\$4,093.52	\$80.22	\$3.50	\$4,170.24

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits
its report for the year ending December, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,



ROY M. CUSHMAN, CHAIRMAN
Harry E. Dearborn
John W. Huse
Gladys E. Menten
Vivian B. Adams

During 1949 the membership of the Board remained the same and we now have a staff of seven - the agent, three social workers, and three clerks. We also have in field work placement a student from Boston College School of Social Work.

The Melrose Welfare Department was one of the agencies surveyed by the Greater Boston Community Survey and the results of their findings were published in February 1949. While suggesting a few changes in procedure the report was generally complimentary. "The Melrose Department of Public Welfare" it states "is a remarkably good public welfare agency. The Board-agent-staff relationships are cordial, self-respecting and effective. In the face of heavy caseloads the agency has managed to do in general a humane and effective job of public assistance casework and has kept costs down."

The post-war trend of increasing caseloads and costs continued during 1949. The legislature passed a number of laws further liberalizing Old Age Assistance by increasing the amount of insurance and savings an applicant may possess and by including a special item of \$4.00 per month for each recipient for leisure time activities. The allowance for hospitalization of public assistance recipients was increased from \$8.00 to \$10.00 a day.

175 applications for Old Age Assistance (including 34 transfers from other cities) were received during 1949, and 12 of these were pending on December 31st. The number approved was 124, while 39 were denied or withdrawn. A total of 93 cases was closed, death being the cause in 60 cases, transfer to another city in 18 instances, while the remaining 15 were closed for a variety of reasons - increased resources, admittance to an institution, or removal from the Commonwealth.

In previous years we have noted that the majority of our recipients are women over the age of 70 and this condition still obtains. We do note an increasing number of persons who receive care in nursing homes and one of our constant problems is to find suitable accommodations for people who need such care and supervision.

An Old Age Assistance grant generally includes only the items needed for basic maintenance - shelter, fuel and food, or board and care, clothing, personal needs, - plus the 8.3% cost of living increase which was granted by the legislature in October 1948, and the \$4.00 leisure time activities allowance granted in December 1949. Medical needs are met as needed by giving the recipient an extra payment to enable him to obtain the care prescribed. The following table shows the various services purchased by Old Age Assistance recipients during the past year.

EXTRA PAYMENTS ON OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
JANUARY-DECEMBER 1949

Hospitalization (Board and care)	\$8444.56
Clinics and tests (x-rays, etc.)	893.20
Physician's fees (outside of hospital)	6175.00
Medicines	3680.69
Dental work	459.50
Glasses and Eye examinations	702.50
Visiting Nursing Care	374.80
Miscellaneous (prosthetic appliances, special nurses, etc.)	495.07
Burials	2000.00
	<u>\$23225.32</u>

There were approximately 50 admissions to hospitals and the length of stay varied from one day to over one hundred days.

A majority of people on Old Age Assistance have insurance or savings in excess of \$200 and in these cases we do not provide anything toward the cost of burial, but in other cases an allowance not exceeding \$150 is made to the undertaker.

One of the accompanying charts shows the relation between the average number of cases per month and the average grant per month on Old Age Assistance from 1935 to 1949. Another chart shows how payments to 458 recipients in December 1949 compared to payments to a corresponding group of 419 recipients in December 1948. It will be noted that in both years the heavy concentration is in the \$40 - \$50 group and the \$50 - \$60 group. However the 1949 payments show an increase in the \$60 - \$70 and higher groups. The considerably larger numbers of recipients who received payments from \$90 - \$100 or over \$100 is explained by the fact that there were more recipients in 1949 than in 1948 who required nursing home care.

The Old Age Assistance law specifies a minimum grant of \$40 for an individual, less whatever income he has from pensions, contributions, or earnings. We have analyzed our past records to determine what percentage of the caseload receives more than \$40. per month and what percentage less than \$40 per month.

	<u>1941</u>	<u>1943</u>	<u>1945</u>	<u>1947</u>	<u>1949</u>
Percentage of caseload					
Under \$40	94%	54%	52%	27%	18%
Percentage of caseload					
Over \$40	6%	46%	48%	73%	82%

Closely related to Old Age Assistance is Old Age and Survivors Insurance as provided under Title II of the Social Security Act. It was hoped by the framers of the Social Security Act that the insurance feature would provide the basic support element for aging citizens and that Old Age Assistance would be the supplementary item. On account of the fact that insurance payments fall so far below the amount needed for reasonably adequate support, it has turned out that Old Age Assistance has become the basic element and Old Age and Survivors Insurance only an item of income in a certain few of the cases. Insurance payments rarely exceed \$30 a month. Hence supplementation by Old Age Assistance grants is necessary. Contrary to general belief, a person is not entitled to receive a full budgetary allowance from Old Age Assistance in addition to Old Age and Survivors Insurance. On the contrary, the insurance payment is deducted from the budgetary figure and the balance granted from Old Age Assistance.

During 1949 we received 17 applications for Aid to Dependent Children - 13 were approved; 2 were denied and 2 were pending at the end of the year. Seven cases were closed during the year; 3 because of increased income in the family, the other 4 because some eligibility

requirement, such as age, residence, etc. was no longer being met.

The amount of a so-called average grant does not indicate as much in Aid to Dependent Children as it does in Old Age Assistance since the number of persons participating in a grant has varied from 1 to 11. The same budget is used in Aid to Dependent Children as in Old Age Assistance, except that there is no item for leisure time activities. The cost of food is based upon the age, sex, and activity of the various members of the family - for example, the adolescent boy is allowed a much higher allowance than the pre-school child.

Only three of our Aid to Dependent Children families receive Survivors Insurance. This resource is available to widowed mothers with children under 18 when the wage earner was employed under covered employment. Survivors Insurance at this time does not exceed \$85 a month and unless the family has other resources, supplementary aid is necessary. However, more and more we find that Aid to Dependent Children is needed for children who are deprived of support by reason of the father's illness, or by divorce, separation or desertion. Even where there is a court order to support and the father carries out his obligation, payment from such source is seldom enough to meet the needs of the family.

It should be borne in mind that a child to be eligible for Aid to Dependent Children may be living with relatives other than his own father or mother. The term "parent" under the law is given a broad interpretation to include some 30 relatives of varying degrees of consanguinity.

For the first time since the pre-war period, we notice an increase in General Relief. We find that 69 cases were opened during 1949 and that 40 of these applied because they had lost their employment. Five had exhausted their unemployment compensation benefits. The other 24 needed temporary help for emergencies or medical care. Many of the applicants who had lost employment would later be eligible for unemployment compensation; but a surprising number had not worked in covered employment but had been self employed or else could not establish eligibility for compensation. A total of 55 cases were closed during the year; 5 died, 22 became self-supporting, 11 were transferred to Old Age Assistance or Aid to Dependent Children, and the remaining 17 either moved from the city, entered an institution, or otherwise became ineligible.

We continue to support 7 children under the care of the Division of Child Guardianship of the State Department of Public Welfare and a few men in the Malden or Tewksbury Infirmaries.

The Board has used the income from the George Emerson Fund to provide a number of special services - hospitalization for a few families that were otherwise self-supporting but who were faced with unusually expensive operations, clothing for school children, partial payment of the board of a child in a children's study center.

The income from the A. C. Marie D. Currier Fund has fallen off markedly from the figures of earlier years. In 1949 there was sufficient only to provide additional grants at Christmas to children in Aid to Dependent Children and General Relief families.

We have included a table under our Financial Statement for 1949 which shows the monies received from the state and from other cities and towns to reimburse for payments which we had made under the different categories of assistance. It will be noted that while the City of Melrose appropriated \$180,000 for Old Age Assistance, \$130,945.40 was returned to the general receipts of the City. Thus, the net cost of Old Age Assistance to Melrose in 1949 was approximately \$50,000.

ASSISTANCE CASE LOAD

MONTH	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE Individuals	AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN Families	GENERAL RELIEF	
			Individuals	Families
JANUARY	430	¹ 26(53)	22	² 10(46)
FEBRUARY	442	25(51)	23	6(35)
MARCH	447	25(56)	26	8(39)
APRIL	456	27(59)	26	6(30)
MAY	459	27(57)	26	7(39)
JUNE	459	30(71)	28	6(40)
JULY	451	30(71)	25	7(37)
AUGUST	451	32(74)	29	7(27)
SEPTEMBER	446	31(72)	26	6(30)
OCTOBER	451	30(71)	29	11(45)
NOVEMBER	457	30(64)	32	9(38)
DECEMBER	459	32(66)	30	16(69)
1. No. of children in these families				
2. No. of persons in families including adults and children.				

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1949

EXPENDITURES

	<u>City Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Administration:			
Salaries	\$ 8060.42	\$ 4405.66	\$ 12466.08
Other Expenses	1699.26	413.29	2112.55
Purchase of New Car		1321.29	1321.29
General Relief	38990.90		38990.90
Old Age Assistance	180000.00	151151.67	331151.67
Aid to Dependent Children	22000.00	10585.89	32585.89
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$250750.58	\$167877.80	\$418628.38

RECEIPTS

	<u>City Appropriation</u>	<u>Federal Grants 1948</u>	<u>1949 Receipts</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Administration:				
Salaries	\$ 8068.00	\$ 596.64	\$ 3871.74	\$ 12536.38
Other Expenses	1700.00		413.29	2113.29
Purchase of New Car			1800.00	1800.00
General Relief	39000.00			39000.00
Old Age Assistance	180000.00	4888.82	146299.85	331188.67
Aid to Dependent Children	22000.00	643.96	10022.29	32666.25
TOTAL RECEIPTS:	\$250768.00	\$ 6129.42	\$162407.17	\$419304.59 *

* Unexpended balance to Excess and Deficiency-\$676.21

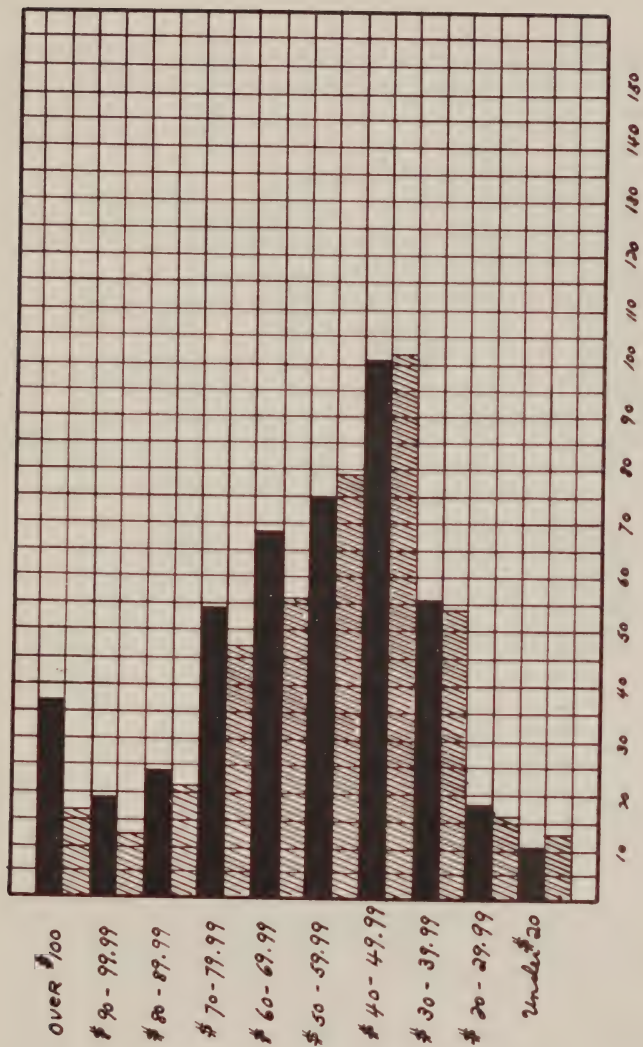
GENERAL RECEIPTS (Credited to Estimated receipts of City)

	<u>State</u>	<u>REIMBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>Individuals</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
General Relief	\$ 3686.96			\$ 6152.21
Old Age Assistance	123934.97	\$ 2275.25	\$ 190.00	130945.40
Aid to Dependent Children	9411.02	6877.92	132.51	9411.02
TOTAL	\$137032.95	\$ 9153.17	\$ 322.51	\$146508.63

✓ Settlement law does not apply in ADC

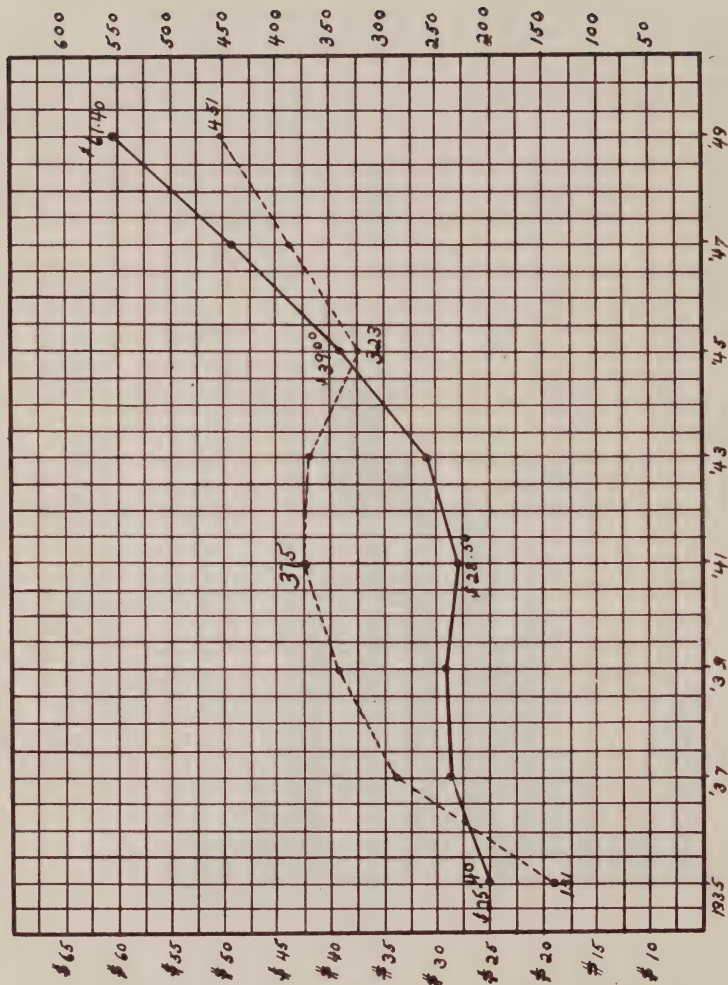
EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEARS 1942 - 1949 INC.
FEDERAL AND CITY FUNDS COMBINED

	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
Administration:								
Salaries	8867.18	8912.26	7990.67	8196.58	9670.95	10871.48	11523.22	12466.08
Other Expenses	1179.30	1057.77	951.38	923.72	1008.99	1226.79	1596.04	3433.84
General Relief	47300.24	25934.66	22026.97	19882.95	20996.87	22943.16	25789.77	38990.90
Old Age Assistance	142614.86	141333.61	147588.89	151375.58	183921.33	228337.17	269660.16	331151.67
Aid to Dependent Children	19995.67	15509.91	15026.02	14580.23	17945.93	24490.04	28844.48	32585.89
TOTAL	219957.25	192748.21	193583.93	194959.06	235544.07	287869.54	337413.67	418628.38



Old Age Assistance - 1949 ■ & 1948 ▨
Distribution of Grants

MELROSE OLD AGE ASSISTANCE 1935-1949



REPORT OF PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and the Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The forty-ninth annual report of the Public Works Department is submitted herewith.

I shall endeavor to give a short resume of the work by each Division and a general picture of the work undertaken by the Department as a whole.

HIGHWAY DIVISION

This Division, directed by Assistant Superintendent John B. Simonds, carried on the business of maintaining our highways, sidewalks, trees and kindred projects with the usual dispatch. It is interesting to note at this time the number of square yards of resurfacing applied on our streets in an average year.

In 1949 the Division armour coated 20 streets with a total of 43,050 square yards, and honed 16 streets with a total of 43,380 square yards. This is a simple routine function of the Division that goes on from year to year. The same is true of sidewalk repairs - in 1949 the Division repaired and replaced sidewalks on 35 different streets with a total of 14,498 square feet of bituminous material besides the work done on gravel walks and minor repairs to our granolithic walks.

The maintenance of our City trees is another function of this Division and though it does not seem as important as some of the other branches, the work of the tree crew in clearing, pruning, removing old trees, together with replacement work and new planting, keep our City shade trees in a fair condition. We are not doing as much as should be done to preserve our trees, which are so vital to our community, nor are we doing as much street light clearance as should be done to get the best results from our street lighting. Control of Dutch Elm disease, Gypsy moth and browntail moth requires a constant vigilance. This is the first year that Dutch Elm has been detected in any of the Melrose trees. It resulted in the necessity for removing 38 trees, the greater number of these being on private land, because such trees did not have the same general care as we give to the City trees. Maintenance of our sidewalk grass plots is another regular and important duty performed by this crew.

Street signs, stop signs, and all kinds and types of traffic signs are installed, repainted and replaced by the men in this Division. Traffic painting is another item of maintenance that cannot be

overlooked. Constant sources of irritation are holes in accepted streets, which have to be patched, as well as pipe trenches in both accepted and unaccepted streets.

I have tried to outline to you a few of the major items of maintenance that confront this Division day in and day out throughout the year. There are, of course, many others, such as the collection of garbage and ashes, maintenance of equipment and snow removal to mention a few. Maintenance, however, is only part of the work of the Division.

New construction constitutes the bulk of the work from early Spring until late Fall. Highway construction entails the laying of edgestones, grading the gravel base course, fine grading the gravel sub-grade, placing the stone for penetration and applying the seal and pea stone for the wearing surface. If a Type I surface (hot top) is to be used then the bituminous binder is placed over the gravel and a wearing surface is placed on this. We have found through experience that the Type I surface has many advantages over the old penetrated macadam surface, so that in the future we will use more of it on the residential streets where the traffic is light. Meadowview Road and the easterly end of Pearl Street were constructed with a Type I surface this past Summer, but Woodruff Avenue, on the other hand, is a penetration street.

Granolithic sidewalk construction this past year was done by our own help rather than by a contractor. We found that we could get a better grade of work at no greater cost. In another year, after the men have had more experience, we feel that a substantial savings can be made. The Division laid granolithic sidewalks on Pearl Street, Lebanon Street, Sherwood Road and on Porter Street.

The Board of Aldermen ordered the relocation of the southerly end of Belmont Street, and the building of a parking area along the railroad right of way at the northerly end of the street. This project, though small in area, entailed the moving of several hundred yards of material and the building of a completely new roadway, together with sidewalks and a retaining wall. It might be noted here that this project has been very beneficial in helping to solve the traffic situation at the Highlands Station. The widening of the southerly end of Berwick Street at Wyoming Avenue has given some relief in this congested spot. The widening was made to accommodate the bus stop.

The parking situation was further improved by an extension of the City Hall parking area. The work on both of these parking areas was handled by the Highway Division.

Melrose received a grant of \$22,500 from the State and County under Chapter 90, and to this amount \$7,500 was added by the City, making a total of \$30,000. This money was spent as allocated on the resurfacing of Main Street from Linden Road to Porter Street, \$10,000, and on the rebuilding of part of Lebanon Street from Forest Street to Sylvan Street, \$20,000. The work on Lebanon Street was done with City labor and equipment, thus giving our men employment that would otherwise go to contractor's labor.

CITY GARAGE and CITY YARD

This section of the Highway Division has grown to such an extent in the past few years that in a sense it should be a Division by itself. We have had a City Yard for about thirty years. At that time it was a motley collection of old wooden shacks and sheds without heat, light, or water. These shacks served as blacksmith shop, garage, water shed and sewer shed. The few pieces of mechanical equipment the department owned at that time were stored and serviced here, as well as some of the stock and equipment used by the Water and Sewer Divisions.

In 1927 under Ex-Mayor Tibbetts plans were drawn for the City Yard and money was appropriated for the first permanent buildings. Since that time the Yard has been gradually expanded and extended so that today we have fairly adequate facilities with which to operate.

Mr. James Findlay is the chief mechanic in charge of the City Garage and City Yard, and under his guidance all the mechanical equipment belonging to the Department are kept in repair and serviced, plus servicing the cars belonging to the Building Department and Welfare Department.

The equipment includes 2 gas rollers, 2 snow loaders, side-walk tractors, bulldozers, load packer, garbage trucks, compressors, dump trucks, pick-up trucks, a truck-mounted crane, sand loader, chain saws, mechanical pumps, a low-bed trailer and 4 cars, all of which are in more or less constant use throughout the year. Some of this equipment is old and some of it brand new, but all of it requires attention to keep it in operation continuously. Mr. Findlay and his three mechanics carry on this work in a very efficient manner and during a snow storm they are often called upon to work around the clock in order to keep the snow equipment operating.

SEWER DIVISION

Our Sewer Division directed by Assistant Superintendent S. Hale Harding continued the tempo set in 1948 and turned out a comparable amount of work. The reason for this increased volume of

work is, of course, due to the lateral extensions in the south easterly section, made possible by the completion of the trunk sewer and pumping station serving that area.

Extensions to the system are:-

Mt. Hood Terrace	290.00	feet
Slayton Road	345.00	"
Laurel Street	910.00	"
Highview Avenue	212.00	"
Waverly Avenue	500.00	"
Grove Street	735.00	"
Beech Avenue	417.00	"
Avalon Road	398.50	"
Burnett Street	167.00	"
Granite Street	451.00	"
Vista Street	349.00	"
Water Street	257.00	"
Woodcrest Drive, North	81.00	"
Wildwood Road	223.00	"
Right of Way Beech Ave. to Staples Street and Goss Ave.	203.00	"
Whitman Avenue	399.00	"
Pearl Street	60.00	"
Elmorest Circle	241.00	"
(6" Orangeburg via Right of Way)		

The total linear feet of sewers laid in 1949 amounted to 6,238 and 27 manholes. This in itself is a very good year's work but, added to this the Division also laid in 141 house connections with a total of 7,237 linear feet of pipe.

Surface Drainage, also under the direction of this Division had very little activity in the Year 1949. In fact, the only extension to this system was 324' of 30" concrete pipe at the new Horace Mann School, and the construction of 4 new manholes and 13 new catch basins.

The maintenance of both Sewers and Surface Drains demands a great deal of time. Main sewers have to be cleaned and flushed; drains have to be cleaned; catch basins have to be dug out, and brooks have to have constant attention. During this past year 2,150 feet of sewers were cleaned and flushed; 103 private sewer connections were cleaned, and 8 house connections were relaid; 1 private drain connection was laid; 566 catch basins were cleaned, some of them two and three times, and all the culvert gratings on Spot Pond and Ell Pond brooks were wire brushed and repainted.

At times the work of the Division is intermingled with the work of another division - such as in the case of Lebanon Street reconstruction. In this instance the Division was called upon to raise all the manholes and catch basins from Forest Street to Sylvan Street. Also on Park Street it was found necessary to build a retaining wall along the north side of the street. The Sewer Division built this wall which was 130' long and in some places 8' to 9' high.

Later on in the year they were called upon to put in the masonry foundation for a new building at the City Yard.

In cases such as these where one Division is able to help another in the Department, we have found that a substantial saving has resulted both in time and money.

WATER DIVISION

Harry Martin, Assistant Superintendent in charge of the Water Division, has been ill a greater part of the year, as a result the direction of this Division has been in the hands of Walter Olson, his first assistant.

Main line construction was a big item of the year's work and the following is a list of 20 projects completed by the Division in 1949:

Ash Street	130' (2" C.L.)
Derby Road	128' (8" C.L.)
Ledgewood Avenue	212' (8" C.L.)
Park Street	137' (10" C.L.)
Woodcrest Drive, East	15' (8" C.L.)
Sheffield Road	40' (8" C.L.)
"	324' (8" C.L.)
Avalon Road	421' (8" C.L.)
Virginia Avenue	37' (6" C.L.)
Pearl Street	88' (8" C.L.)
"	36' (6" C.L.)
Ells Avenue	104' (6" C.L.)
Elmcrest Circle	96' (8" C.L.)
Ellis Farm Lane	230' (8" C.L.)
"	128' (12" C.L.)
Harold Street	183' (8" C.L.)
Mt. Hood Terrace	222' (8" C.L.)
Stillman Road	234' (8" C.L.)
Whitman Avenue	128' (8" C.L.)
Hawley Road	48' (8" C.L.)
North Forest Street	48' (6" C.L.)
Argyle Street	32' (6" C.L.)
Woodcrest Drive, North	210' (8" C.L.)

These total to 3,273 feet of new construction.

In addition to new construction there was also considerable work done relaying old mains, and the following is a list of these projects:

Bellevue Avenue	1063' (8" C.L.)
East Emerson Street	15' (8" C.L.)
"	12' (6" C.L.)
Ashburton Place	114' (2" C.L.)
Orris Street	373' (10" C.L.)
Mt. Vernon Avenue	233' (8" C.L.)
Vista Street	122' (8" C.L.)
Water Street	128' (8" C.L.)

making a total of 2,060 linear feet of replacements.

Each year, to improve the efficiency of our system, additional hydrants are set - these may be in newly developed areas or they may be in areas that have been inadequately served in the past. The same thing is true in regard to gates on main pipes. This year seven new 6" hydrants and one repaired 4" hydrant were set in new locations.

Gate Valves placed during the Year consisted of

1 2"	12 8"
12 6"	1 10"
1 12"	

making a total of 27 throughout the City. Service pipes, new and replaced, laid from the main in the street to private properties totalled 9,085 linear feet.

The demand for new water services, due mainly to new construction, continued about the same as in 1948. This Division installed 154 new services, extended 5, and placed on these services 125 new meters.

Repairs and maintenance continually require the time and attention of the men in this Division. Old services in the street and on private property must be renewed, repaired, and cleaned; meters must be tested, repaired and replaced; hydrants must be inspected, repaired, painted and flushed; gates must be inspected and repaired, and of course all leaks, either in main lines or on private property, require immediate attention.

There are in this City 6,614 metered services each one of these meters must be read at least twice a year, and some of them every month - only two men in the Division devote their time to this work.

Following is a list of the maintenance items for the Year 1949:

- 69 services renewed in the street
- 29 services renewed on private property
- 48 entire services renewed
- 34 services repaired
- 107 services cleaned
- 291 services shut off or turned on
- 133 emergency leaks investigated
- 13 main line leaks investigated and repaired
- 85 curb and gate boxes reset
- 9 gates repaired
- 12 gates replaced
- 36 Hydrants repaired
- 4 Hydrants replaced
- 2 Hydrants relocated
- 512 Hydrants flushed
- 511 Hydrants repainted
- 121 new meters set on old services to take the place of meters discarded
- 31 new meters replaced for meters to be repaired and put in stock
- 230 old meters tested and repaired
- 6 meters taken out for test at request of owners
- 95 meters repaired in service
- 166 meters discarded
- 200 meters purchased
- 535 special meter readings

Minor emergencies are an everyday occurrence in the Water Division because the flow of water uncontrolled, or the total lack of water is a very serious situation, and both of these situations can happen whenever there is a break of any kind. However, in most instances only one or two residences are concerned so a matter of this nature is more of a nuisance than a calamity. This was not the case, however, on June 16th at twelve o'clock noon, at which time the static pressure recorded on the gauge in the Fire Station dropped from a normal 90 pounds to 30 pounds in a matter of minutes. This was a drastic situation which affected every home in the City. In the case of fire, the Fire Department would be helpless without water and every big user of water, such as the hospital, would be in a critical situation almost immediately. The cause of our trouble was

soon discovered, the 16" main from the high pressure reservoir had been broken by the contractor who was doing work for the Metropolitan District Commission. The next step was to remedy the situation as soon as possible. This was done by locating the leak and isolating it by closing proper valves and through the co-operation of the Fire Department starting our auxiliary pumping system which has been ready and in operation since the war. Within thirty minutes we had brought the static pressure back to within 10 to 20 pounds of normal and full pressure was obtained within an hour.

ENGINEERING DIVISION

Co-ordinating the work of the three other divisions - namely, Highway, Water, and Sewer, is the duty of the Engineers. In order to attain a smooth running organization and a minimum of delay, the engineers must plan their work ahead, considering the work of each division and the progress made on this work. In this way, they are able, with a relatively small force, to keep the work laid out ahead and at the same time oversee and inspect the work going on. It may be noted that when the Sewer Division lays 6,000 feet of pipe in a year, it is the problem of the engineers to lay out this work in advance, and supervise the engineering of the project while it is in progress. This is true of most all of the work of the other divisions.

There was other work outside of these functional duties which the Engineers had to take care of in the past year. The new Horace Mann School presented a problem of constant attention. Mr. William Orcutt has been Clerk of the Works on this building since the day it started and the progress there has been most satisfactory, even considering some of the delays with which we had to contend and over which we had no control.

The alteration of the Telephone Building for a new Police Station was started at the end of this year and the preparation for this work took considerable time and attention on the part of the engineers.

Work on the Memorial Building was supervised and inspected by this Division, and estimates were prepared for future work.

Engineering testimony and consultation were required by the law department on several court cases this past year.

The new Ski Tow and building at Mt. Hood were laid out by this Division, as well as layout work and engineering on the new park in the southwest section of the City.

The Cemetery came to us for help with blueprints of designs and specifications, and the Fire Department as well as the Police Department are always in need of a few measurements here or there, plus a little advice on some of their projects.

TRAFFIC

The members serving on the Traffic Survey Committee during the Year 1949 were

Wm. B. Alexander	Rotary Club
Joseph T. Cefalo	Chamber of Commerce
Chester M. Cummings	Board of Aldermen
Sidney C. Field	Chief Fire Department
George MacWilliams	Capt. Police Department
Edgar A. Perry	Lions Club
Edward F. Riley	Planning Board
Glen S. Weeks	Eng. & Supt. Public Works

This Committee, comprised of the above-mentioned citizens appointed by the Mayor, held monthly meetings for the discussion of traffic problems in various areas throughout the City, and in addition held public hearings in order to receive the opinion of residents and merchants in the areas under consideration, prior to making recommendations to the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen.

The recommendations of the Committee were instrumental in alleviating the parking problem in the Melrose Highlands area, and through its recommendations Belmont Street was relocated and widened at Melrose Street; widened near Franklin Street for parking purposes; and made one way going southerly from Franklin Street to Melrose Street, thereby reducing the traffic problem at the Melrose Highlands railroad crossing.

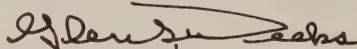
The Wyoming Depot area consumed considerable time and thought, but the improvement in this area, since the Traffic Committee's recommendations have been put into effect, is gratifying. Berwick Street now has a bus stop off the travelled way by widening near Wyoming Avenue. Several restrictions governing the flow of traffic and parking have been made to aid in minimizing congestion during rush hours in this area.

First steps toward takings in Dill's Court for delivery access and parking area have been made in line with the basic suggestions made by this Committee.

Various other incidental traffic problems were presented to the Committee during the Year and it has developed that it affords the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen valuable assistance toward the screening and solution of many traffic problems.

Again co-operation is the keynote of the entire Public Works Department and because of this the City and its citizens reap benefits in work, services, personal attention and time saved which could not be obtained if this spirit was lacking.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. L. S. S. S.", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Engineer and Superintendent
Public Works Department

STATISTICS
CITY OF MELROSE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, MASSACHUSETTS

Location	7 miles north of Boston
Population, January 1, 1949.	27,928
Number of Voters	16,635
Greatest extent of City, east and west	2.95 miles
Greatest extent of City, north and south	2.44 miles
Valuation of Real Estate	\$38,640,950.00
Valuation of Personal Property	\$ 3,630,800.00
Tax Rate - per thousand.	42.00

Area of City:

Land	3,079.50 acres
Water.	35.50 acres. 3,115 acres
Length of Public Streets	59.56 miles
Length of Private Streets.	14.69 miles
Length of Water Mains.	75.25 miles
Length of Sewer Mains.	65.10 miles
Range of pressure on mains	100-23 lbs.
Number of 1000 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANOH.	1,110
Number of 1000 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANUG.	5
Number of 2500 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANOH.	45
Number of 2500 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANUG.	1
Number of 6000 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANOH.	28
Number of 6000 Lumens Incandescent Lights ANUG.	37
Number of 10000 Lumens Incandescent Lights MNOG.	1
Number of Luminous Arcs ANUG	63
Number of Luminous Arcs MNUG	20
Number of Automatic Traffic Signals.	6

Area of Parks:-

Bowden Park.	.62 acres
Colby Park	.90 acres
Ell Pond Park.	34.41 acres
Horace Mann Park	.60 acres
Lebanon Street Playground.	.95 acres
Lincoln School Playground.	1.60 acres
Melrose Common	4.40 acres
Messenger's Meadow Playground.	2.89 acres
Middlesex Fells.	170.00 acres
Mount Hood	225.00 acres
Pine Banks Park.	81.80 acres
Sewall Woods Park.	9.00 acres
Wyoming Cemetery	43.50 acres
Conant Park.	4.80 acres

Elevation, Main Street at City Hall - 61 feet above mean tide

Elevation, Franklin Square - 85 feet above mean low tide

Water Construction.

Budget	\$ 25000.00	
B.of A. Orders	<u>15045.00</u>	
		\$ 40045.00
Less - B.of A. Orders		<u>813.24</u>
		\$ 39231.76

Expended:-

Meters Set	1791.61
Services	5864.87

Main Line-

Ash Street	768.73
Argyle Street	140.23
Avalon Road	2675.84
Bancroft Road-Hydrant	412.35
Bellevue Avenue-Relay	4026.86
Derby Road	974.33
Ellis Farm Lane	3157.74
Ells Avenue	688.64
Elmcrest Circle	406.58
Gould Street-Hydrant	141.85
Grove Street-Hydrant	24.97
Harold Street	363.24
Hawely Road	270.60
Howard Street	126.00
Laurel Street	147.91
Ledgewood Avenue	1108.04
Mt.Hood Terrace	979.31
North Forest Street	345.53
Orria Street-Relay	1671.24
Oxford Street	507.12
Park Street	1368.06
Pearl Street	1519.73
Porter Street-Hydrant	108.92
Sheffield Road	3456.42
Stillman Road	3064.15
Virginia Avenue	227.30
West Emerson Street-Hydrant	74.93
Whitman Avenue	777.22
Winthrop Street-Hydrant	130.23
Woodcrest Drive	<u>1900.25</u>

31564.3239220.80Balance \$ 10.96Cost of Water System.

Cost of System to January 1, 1949	\$ 1171088.03
Expended - 1949	<u>39220.80</u>
Cost of System to January 1, 1950	<u>\$ 1210308.83</u>

Water Inside Services-Working Account.

Budget	\$4000.00		
B.of A. Orders	<u>3800.00</u>		
	\$	7800.00	
Less - B.of A. Order		<u>800.00</u>	
		\$	7000.00
Expended:-			
Payrolls		3124.42	
Stock, trucks & overhead		3286.66	
Invoices		<u>83.75</u>	6494.83
		<u>Balance</u>	<u>505.17</u>

Water Inside Services - Accts.Receivable.

Accounts Due - January 1, 1949	233.32	
Committed - 1949	<u>8588.40</u>	
		8821.72
Less:-		
Receipts	6796.26	
Abatements	<u>22.09</u>	6818.35
Accounts Receivable - January 1, 1950		<u>2003.37</u>

Water Inside Services - Deposits.

Balance - January 1, 1949	3840.00	
Deposits	<u>8207.24</u>	
		12047.24
Expended:-		
Cost of Work	7639.13	
Refunds	<u>3548.11</u>	11187.24
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>860.00</u>

New Water Meters.

Budget	2400.00	
Credits from other accounts	<u>1484.80</u>	
	3884.80	
Less - B.of A. Order	<u>800.00</u>	
		3084.80
Expended:-		
Invoices		<u>3076.70</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>8.10</u>

Water Rates - City of Malden.

Budget	313.69	
Expended:-		
Invoice		<u>313.69</u>

Water Rates - Town of Saugus.

B. of A. Order	\$	3.60
Expended:-		
Invoice		<u>3.60</u>

Water Maintenance - Accts. Receivable.

Accts. Receivable - Jan. 1, 1949	\$	21.00	
Committed - 1949		<u>49.00</u>	70.00
Less Cash Receipts			<u>55.00</u>
Accounts Receivable - Jan. 1, 1950			<u>15.00</u>

Water Maintenance.

Budget		52000.00	
Less B. of A. Orders		<u>5192.83</u>	46807.17
Expended:-			
Sundry Expense-			
Stationery & printing	\$	217.74	
Envelopes & stamps		282.34	
Carfare & dues		20.00	
Advertising		31.40	
Soap		.50	
Photograph-		1.00	
Charts		5.50	
Envelope sealer		39.39	
Other items		6.05	
Billing machine repairs		<u>4.19</u>	608.11
Materials-			
Purchases	\$	26783.71	
Stock labor		<u>729.76</u>	
Less credits received		<u>27513.47</u>	1070.89
		26442.58	2088.13
Hydrants			1271.55
Main Line			
Meters - Read		5230.86	
Remove & repair		<u>5910.44</u>	11141.30
Services			13348.03
Main Line-			
Argyle Street		146.75	
Ashburton Place		378.41	
Bellevue Ave. Relay		6537.86	
Emerson Street		53.84	
Highview Avenue		99.28	
Laurel Street		110.84	
Mt. Hood Terrace		989.35	
Mt. Vernon Avenue		1859.47	
Orris Street		3729.29	
Ravine Road Gate		871.39	
Ruggles Street		30.54	
Vista Street		1068.83	
Water Street		<u>1401.83</u>	17277.68
			<u>46805.69</u>
			<u>Balance</u>
			<u>1.48</u>

Highway Repairing.

Budget	\$ 34000.00	
Less B.of A. Orders	<u>1714.17</u>	\$ 32285.83

Expended:-

Material-Purchases	\$ 2917.59	
Credits by receipts	<u>872.55</u>	2045.04
Catch Basins		<u>444.24</u>
Guard Rail & Fencing		33.66
Minor Charges		347.81
Minor Repairs		2381.32
Street Resurfacing		9763.22
Street Signs & Numbers		1984.30
Tar Curbing		122.27
Tar Patching		9776.79
Repairs by Streets-		
Beech Avenue	56.05	
Bellevue Avenue	563.54	
Berwick Street	51.52	
Brunswick Park	163.00	
Clifford Street	1158.03	
Clinton Road	13.75	
Grove Street	200.51	
Lebanon St.-Chapter 90	1656.05	
Main Street	538.54	
Slayton Road	120.75	
Stillman Road	100.38	
Swains Pond Avenue	78.00	
Tremont Street	272.32	
Upham Street	<u>299.61</u>	
		<u>5272.05</u> 32170.70
		<u>Balance</u> 115.13

Highway Repairing -
Accounts Receivable.

Accts. Receivable Jan. 1, 1949	187.28	
Committed - 1949	<u>994.32</u>	1181.60
Less Cash Receipts		<u>910.21</u>
Accts. Receivable Jan. 1, 1950		<u>271.39</u>

Highway Repairing - Deposits.

Deposit		75.00
Less - Cost of Work	60.00	
Refund	<u>15.00</u>	<u>75.00</u>

Traffic Signs & Markings.

Budget		\$	4000.00
Expended:-			
Payroll	\$	1742.36	
Stock & Overhead		1127.77	
Invoices		1129.86	3999.99
			<u>Balance</u>
			<u>.01</u>

Traffic Survey.

Budget			250.00
Expended:-			
Labor		15.14	
Overhead		2.27	
Invoices		33.50	50.91
			<u>Balance</u>
			<u>199.09</u>

Parking Development.

Budget			5800.00
Expended:-			
Payrolls		1845.99	
Stock, trucks & overhead		1652.05	
Invoices		2301.96	5800.00

Berwick Street Improvement & Rental
for Parking Purposes.

Tax Levy			800.00
Expended:-			
Labor		537.27	
Stock, trucks & overhead		262.73	800.00

Highway Construction
General Account.

Budget	\$	30000.00	
Unexpended Balances		<u>1858.05</u>	
		31858.05	
Less - B. of A. Orders		<u>27794.16</u>	4063.89
Expended:-			
Park Street		1543.06	
Pearl Street		633.05	2176.11
			<u>Balance</u>
			<u>1887.78</u>

Summary of Net Expenditures - Highway Construction.

	12-31-48 Balances to 1949	1949 B. of A. Orders	Expended 1949	12-31-49 Balances to 1950
General Account	0	0 *	\$ 2176.11	0
#7789E Belmont Street - Relocate	0	0 *	2429.76	0
#8433 Dills Court	0	\$ 20000.00	65.60	\$ 19934.40
#6734 Meadowview Road Construction	0	11040.00	6208.27	4831.73
#6602 Mountain Avenue Extension	\$ 447.79	0	439.76	0
#6187 Pearl Street	0	5025.00	5006.22	18.78
#5869C Webster Avenue	830.21	3500.00	3961.00	0
#6704 Woodruff Avenue	0	5065.00	3806.86	0
Chapter 90	316.55	10000.00 **	34555.42	0
#4619 Ruggles Street	1151.08	0	0	1151.08
	\$ 2745.63	\$ 54630.00	\$ 58649.00	\$ 25935.99

* - Budget Appropriation

** - Cash Receipts from State & County.

Parking Meter Maintenance.

Parking Meter Fees		\$	1100.00
Expended:-			
Payroll	\$	731.86	
Overhead		97.18	
Invoices		27.64	856.68
			<u>Balance</u> 243.32

Automotive Salaries & Wages.

Budget	\$	800.00	
Receipts from Equipment use		<u>10322.26</u>	11122.36
Less - B. of A. Order			<u>218.00</u> 10904.26
Expended:-			
Payrolls			<u>10904.26</u>

Automotive Other Expense.

Budget	1000.00		
Gas Tax & Refunds	792.87		
Receipts from Equipment use	<u>27685.35</u>	29478.22	
Less - B. of A. Orders		<u>1300.00</u>	28178.22
Expended:-			
Repairs & Parts		6914.50	
Gasoline		6864.51	
Oil, Grease & Alcohol		1770.37	
Supplies		2322.47	
Tires & Tubes		2012.94	
Battery Care		345.00	
Telephone		204.50	
Garage Rent		100.00	
Insurance		2629.14	
Heat, Light & Bldg. Maintenance		2388.16	
Hired Equipment		695.50	
Sundries-Towels	9.80		
Registrations	85.00		
Inspection	26.50		
License	6.00		
Subscription	3.00		
Clothes Lockers	119.29		
Stationery	17.70		
Water Rates	5.00	272.29	26519.38
			<u>Balance</u> 1658.84

Summary of Automotive Accounts.

Receipts from use of Equipment		38007.61	
Expended:-			
Salaries & Wages		10904.26	
Other Expense		<u>26519.38</u>	37423.64
Net cost of operation above receipts			<u>583.97</u>

New Equipment.

Budget	\$ 16400.00	
B. of A. Order	<u>3075.00</u>	\$ 19475.00
Purchases		<u>18913.09</u>
	Balance	<u>561.91</u>

Overhead Expense.

Budget	\$ 2000.00	
Net Credits received	<u>25670.95</u>	27670.95
Less - B. of A. Orders	<u>2500.00</u>	25170.95
Expended:-		
Salaries & Wages		573.20
Sick Leave		52.72
Trench Lighting		4206.99
Truck Expense		36.25
Tools		6449.24
Blacksmith		1253.55
Workmen's Compensation Ins.		10041.19
Stationery & Printing		224.56
Traveling Expense	5.65	
Dues	24.05	
Subscriptions	23.60	
Motion Picture Films	58.54	
Building Repairs	1.73	
Flags	22.28	
Flag Poles	55.00	
Supplies	54.30	
Sundries	<u>24.68</u>	
	269.83	23107.53
	Balance	<u>2063.42</u>

City Yard - Salaries & Wages.

Budget	2478.00	
Less - B. of A. Orders	<u>240.60</u>	2237.40
Expended:-		
Payrolls	2122.45	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	<u>75.86</u>	2198.31
	Balance	<u>39.09</u>

City Yard - Garage Addition.

Balance from 1948		93.45
Expended:-		
Payrolls	9.36	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	1.41	
Invoices	<u>77.84</u>	88.61
	Balance	<u>4.84</u>

City Yard Improve.

Budget		\$ 4000.00
Expended:-		
Payroll	\$ 860.20	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	581.30	
Invoices	2272.69	3714.19
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>285.81</u>

Street Lighting.

Budget	34500.00	
B.of A. Order	210.00	34710.00
Expended:-		
Invoices net		34686.45
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>23.55</u>

Traffic Beacons.

Budget	2100.00	
Less-B.of A. Order	210.00	1890.00
Expended:-		
Invoices		1667.39
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>222.61</u>

Snow Removal and Sanding.

Budget	25000.00	
B. of A. Orders	10000.00	35000.00
Expended:-		
Removal	8898.68	
Sanding	8159.86	
Plowing	5661.14	
Overhead	2087.43	
Sundries	882.63	25689.74
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>9310.26</u>

Insurance.

Budget	19650.00	
Less - B.of A. Orders	103.60	19546.40
Expended:-		
Invoices		19349.03
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>197.37</u>

Holidays.

Budget	7875.00	
Less - B. of A. Order	575.00	7300.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	6605.00	
Overhead	692.64	7297.64
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>2.36</u>

Sick Leave.

Budget	\$ 5000.00	
B.of A. Orders	4550.00	
Cash Receipts	<u>1451.56</u>	\$ 11001.56
Expended:-		
Payrolls	9309.38	
Overhead	<u>1672.19</u>	10981.57
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>19.99</u>

Vacations.

Budget	9500.00	
B. of A. Orders	<u>3658.18</u>	13158.18
Expended:-		
Payrolls		<u>13068.97</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>89.21</u>

Pensions.

Budget	11773.84	
Less - B.of A. Orders	<u>940.00</u>	10833.84
Expended:-		
Payrolls		<u>10820.60</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>13.24</u>

Land Taking - F.E. Hanson.

B.of A. Order	48.00	
Expended:-		
Invoice		<u>48.00</u>

Cost of Sewerage System.

Cost of system to Jan. 1, 1949	1411262.17	
Expended - 1949	<u>12555.66</u>	
Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1950	<u>1423817.83</u>	

Cost of Surface Drainage System.

Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1949	652633.49	
Expended - 1949	<u>4040.10</u>	
Cost of System to Jan. 1, 1950	<u>656673.59</u>	

Sewer Survey No.East Section.

B.of A. Order	2400.00	
None Expended.		

Summary of Net Expenditures - Sewer Construction.

	12-31-48 Balances to 1949	1949 B. of A. Orders	Expended 1949	12-31-49 Balances to 1950
General Account				
#8137 Avalon Road	0	0	\$ 12555.66	\$ 555.00
#8368 Gunner Avenue	0	\$ 2795.00	2795.00	5241.25
#6984n East Side Trunk Line	0	5280.00	38.75	652.81
#6571 Echo Street etc.	\$ 8211.27	0	7958.46	4725.90
#7847a Goss Avenue etc.	8447.87	0	3721.97	195.47
#7934a Granite Street etc.	1294.22	4280.00	5378.75	0
#7806 Grove Street	0	16150.00	16150.00	0
#8270 Laurel Street	3269.86	0	3269.86	1833.63
#8618 Laurel Street - Extension	0	8825.00	6991.37	.01
#7571a Mt. Hood Terrace	0	300.00	299.99	1.50
#8043 Pearl Street	42.48	2125.00	2165.98	0
#7609a Upham Street - net credit	0	775.00	775.00	21.21
#7967 Waverly Avenue	.40	0	20.81	1923.46
#8387 Wildwood Road	0	7550.00	4626.54	1924.27
		4705.00	2780.73	
#8514 Bay State Road - **	\$21266.10	\$52785.00	\$69487.25	\$17074.51
	0	14445.00	0	14445.00
	\$21266.10	\$67230.00	\$69487.25	\$31519.51

Or. #8514 passed in 1949. Funds not available for expenditure until 1950 per order of Tax Commissioner, Henry F. Long.

Sewer & Drain Construction.

Budget	\$ 37160.00		
B.of A. Orders	50700.00		
Unexpended Balances	<u>1000.00</u>	\$ 88860.00	
Less - B.of A. Orders		<u>71723.61</u>	\$ 17136.39
Expended:-			
Material-Purchases	7909.72		
Credits Received	<u>8481.99</u>		
Net Credits		572.27*	
Sewers-Arlington Road	16.50		
Ash Street	88.56		
Avalon Road	800.19		
Bay State Road	335.42		
Derby Road	329.85		
Fairfield St.	16.50		
Granite Street	3357.51		
Grove Street	2256.20		
Highview Avenue	6.60		
Laurel Street	6.60		
Mendum Street	63.04		
Mt.Hood Terrace	2614.37		
Park Street	1070.14		
Pearl Street	891.18		
Slayton Road	295.81		
Vinton Street	<u>407.19</u>	12555.66	
Drains-			
Berwick Street	65.02		
Damon Avenue	3017.34		
Elliott Street	194.14		
Heywood Ave.	156.12		
Meadowview Road	359.86		
Summer Street	<u>247.62</u>	4040.10	16023.49
		<u>Balance</u>	<u>1112.90</u>

Private Sewers - General Account.

Budget	5000.00		
B.of A. Orders	<u>3300.00</u>	8300.00	
Expended:-			
Payrolls	5145.71		
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	2862.77		
Invoices	<u>189.00</u>	8197.48	
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>102.52</u>	

Private Sewers - Accts. Receivable.

Accts. Receivable - Jan. 1, 1949	142.57		
Committed - 1949	<u>10749.73</u>	10892.30	
Less:-			
Abated	9.62		
Cash Receipts	<u>9489.30</u>	9498.92	
Accounts Receivable - Jan. 1, 1950	<u>Balance</u>	<u>1393.38</u>	

Private Sewers - Deposits.

Balance from 1948	\$ 5690.00	
Deposits - 1949	<u>10035.00</u>	\$15725.00
Less:-		
Cost of Work	9639.92	
Refunds	<u>3940.08</u>	13580.00
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>2145.00</u>

Sewer Maintenance.

Budget	\$ 4300.00	
B.of A. Orders	<u>650.00</u>	4950.00
Less - B.of A. Order	<u>86.00</u>	4864.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	3510.53	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	<u>882.08</u>	
Invoices	<u>423.27</u>	4815.88
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>48.12</u>

Sewer Connections - General Account.

Budget	1000.00	
Less - B.of A. Orders	<u>850.00</u>	150.00
Expended:-		
Sundry Connections		<u>131.94</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>18.06</u>

Sewer Connections - E.Side & So.E. Sections.

Budget	2000.00	
B.of A. Orders	<u>3700.00</u>	5700.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	3104.14	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	<u>2315.88</u>	5420.02
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>279.98</u>

Surface Drainage Maintenance.

Budget	10000.00	
Less - B.of A. Orders	<u>154.22</u>	9845.78
Expended:-		
Payrolls	5869.11	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	<u>1271.79</u>	
Invoices	<u>2182.06</u>	9322.96
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>522.82</u>

Continuous Walks - General Account.

Budget	9838.00	
B.of A. Orders	5000.00	
Unexpended Balances	<u>864.94</u>	15702.94
Less - B.of A. Orders		<u>13574.00</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>2128.94</u>

Summary of Net Expenditures -- Continuous Walks.

	12-31-48 Balances to 1949	1949 B. of A. Orders	Expended 1949	12-31-49 Balances to 1950
#7165 Lebanon Street	0	\$ 1120.00	\$ 1039.77	\$ 80.23
#7674a Lebanon Street	0	3734.00	7.88	3726.12
#7315 Mt. Vernon Avenue	0	920.00	674.31	245.69
#7810 Park Street	\$ 93.29	0	23.08	70.21
#6711 Pearl Street	0	1410.00	1141.96	268.04
#7166 Sherwood Road	0	3840.00	2900.36	939.64
	<u>\$ 93.29</u>	<u>\$ 11024.00</u>	<u>\$ 5787.36</u>	<u>\$ 5329.93</u>

Individual Walks -Working Account.

Budget	\$ 3000.00	
B. of A. Order	<u>3000.00</u>	\$ 6000.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	850.87	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	1150.53	
Invoices	<u>242.02</u>	2243.42
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>3756.58</u>

Individual Walks - Deposits.

Balance from 1948	3806.00	
Deposits - 1949	<u>2565.00</u>	6371.00
Less-		
Cost of Work	4697.39	
Refunds	<u>493.61</u>	5191.00
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>1180.00</u>

Individual Walks -Accts. Receivable.

Accts. Receivable - Jan. 1, 1949	38.39	
Committed - 1949	<u>5298.33</u>	5336.72
Less:-		
Abated	8.77	
Cash Receipts	<u>3621.13</u>	3629.90
Accts. Receivable - Jan. 1, 1950		<u>1706.82</u>

Repair of Walks.

Budget	\$ 10000.00	
B. of A. Order	<u>5000.00</u>	
	15000.00	
Less - B. of A. Order	<u>150.00</u>	14850.00
Expended:-		
Material-		
Purchases	4113.74	
Credits Received	<u>4709.33</u>	
Net Credits received	595.59*	
General	<u>15443.31</u>	14847.72
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>2.28</u>

Care of Trees.

Budget	\$ 12000.00	
B.of A. Order	250.00	
Cash Receipt	5.00	
		\$ 12255.00
Expended:-		
Payroll	7939.25	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	2125.00	
Invoices	2190.75	12255.00

Plant New Trees.

Budget		900.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	537.04	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	134.38	
Invoices	225.00	896.42
	Balance	3.58

Collection of Ashes & Rubbish.

Budget		34000.00
Expended:-		
Ash Collection	18084.64	
Ash Schedules & Delivery	289.32	
Paper Collection	10140.00	
Dump Care	4408.32	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	1024.48	
Sundries	48.20	33994.96
	Balance	5.04

Collection of Garbage.

Budget	34600.00	
B.of A. Order	1300.00	
		35900.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	26146.61	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	7857.76	
Invoices	1873.04	35877.41
	Balance	22.59

Collection of Garbage -
Accts. Receivable .

Accts. Receivable - Jan. 1, 1949	1987.50	
Committed - 1949	9846.89	
		11834.39
Cash Receipts - 1949		11834.39

Street Cleaning.

Budget	\$ 12000.00	
B.of A. Order	<u>500.00</u>	\$ 12500.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls	6056.66	
Stock, Trucks & Overhead	3876.97	
Invoices	<u>2566.36</u>	12499.99
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>.01</u>

Public Works - Salaries & Wages.

Budget	\$ 18202.00	
B.of A. Order	<u>265.00</u>	
	18467.00	
Less - B.of A. Order	<u>512.50</u>	17954.50
Expended:-		
Payrolls		<u>17684.00</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>270.50</u>

Public Works Other Expense.

Budget	1000.00	
B.of A. Order	<u>275.00</u>	1275.00
Expended:-		
Supplies	280.56	
Stationery & Printing	111.38	
Stamps	76.62	
Telephone	542.76	
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	11.71	
Sundries-		
Execuphone Repairs	21.31	
Typewriter Maintenance	24.40	
Calculator - 1/3 cost	140.00	
Billing Machine Repairs	4.55	
Lamp	22.50	
Dues	5.00	
Express Charges	<u>1.28</u>	219.04
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>32.93</u>

Engineers Salaries & Wages.

Budget	8955.00	
Less - B. of A. Orders	<u>1639.00</u>	7316.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls		<u>6862.80</u>
	<u>Balance</u>	<u>453.20</u>

Engineers Other Expense.

Budget			\$ 2000.00
Expended:-			
Use of Car	\$ 468.90		
Supplies	475.95		
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	92.61		
Sundries-			
Plans & Prints	\$ 13.60		
Transit Repairs	93.00		
Calculator expense	140.00		
Other Items	.90	247.50	1284.96
		Balance	715.04

City Hall - Salaries & Wages.

Budget		5210.00
Expended:-		
Payrolls		5131.80
	Balance	78.20

City Hall - Other Expense.

Budget			7500.00
Expended:-			
Supplies		651.30	
Alterations & Repairs		2763.91	
Gas		23.10	
Electricity		1426.84	
Fuel		1860.20	
Telephone		194.75	
Towel Care		80.39	
Cooler rental.		60.00	
Sundries-			
Workmen's Compensation Ins.	\$ 118.59		
Coin Lock	2.84		
Water Rates	119.90		
Fill Vase	40.00		
Disinfecting Service	36.00		
Other Items	.35	317.68	7378.17
		Balance	121.83

City Hall-Christmas Lighting.

Budget	475.00
Expended - Invoices	475.00

Christmas Holiday-Anniversary Lighting.

B.of A. Order	450.00
Expended - Invoices	450.00

REPORT OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

January 31, 1950.

To His Honor, the Mayor, and
the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City of Melrose, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The report of the Board of Registrars of Voters for the year 1949 is herewith submitted.

As required by law, the Registrars made lists of all persons twenty years of age and older found to be residing in Melrose on January 1, 1949. The number of such persons listed was as follows:-

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
1,223	1,347	1,558	1,754	1,250	1,296	1,383	1,435	1,435	1,689
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
1,473	1,213	969	1,135	703	19,863				

Concurrently with the annual listing a determination was made of the population of the city as of January 1, 1949, as follows:-

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
1,681	1,913	2,201	2,404	1,720	1,876	1,851	1,986	2,023	2,361
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
2,033	1,709	1,396	1,074	1,074	27,928				

At the request of the School Committee, the Registrars caused a census of all children under the age of sixteen years on October 1, 1948, to be made at the time of the annual listing.

Lists containing the names of all male persons twenty years of age and older found by the Registrars to be residing in the city on January 1, 1949, to the number indicated below, were transmitted to the assessors, as required by law:-

<u>1-1</u>	<u>1-2</u>	<u>2-1</u>	<u>2-2</u>	<u>3-1</u>	<u>3-2</u>	<u>4-1</u>	<u>4-2</u>	<u>5-1</u>	<u>5-2</u>
549	609	729	789	556	586	563	639	654	776
<u>6-1</u>	<u>6-2</u>	<u>7-1</u>	<u>7-2</u>	<u>7-3</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>				
665	559	456	544	344	9,018				

Questionnaires were sent to 400 persons appearing to have the qualifications for jury service. Of these 321 were found to be so qualified and their names were included in the jury list prepared for the year beginning July 1, 1949, and posted and published as required by law.

The names of 218 enrolled voters of the Democratic and Republican parties were determined by the Registrars to be those of persons quali-

fied for service as election officers and a list containing the names of such persons was transmitted to His Honor, the Mayor, as required by law.

Applications for registration for voting were received during regular business hours, except for the period preceding the regular biennial city election when registration was required to cease by law, and at three special evening sessions. During the year the names of 468 persons were added to the general and current annual registers of voters.

The names of 1,135 persons found to be no longer qualified to vote by reason of removal from the city, death or other causes were stricken from the register of voters.

The number of voters included in the current annual register of voters as of December 31, 1949, was:-

1-1	1-2	2-1	2-2	3-1	3-2	4-1	4-2	5-1	5-2
1,001	1,098	1,326	1,377	1,045	1,026	1,044	1,250	1,167	1,215
6-1	6-2	7-1	7-2	7-3	TOTAL				
1,179	1,036	806	897	494	15,961				

The ratio of duly registered voters to population was 57.33%.

Signatures of persons appearing on nomination papers of candidates to be voted for at the city election were certified as being those of duly qualified voters of the city of Melrose to the number of 3,939.

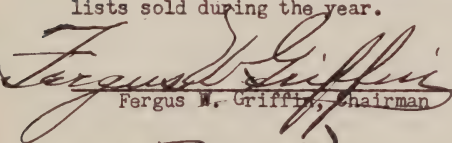
The names of 301 persons appearing on initiative petitions were certified as being those of duly registered voters of the city of Melrose.

The names of 33 persons making application for absent voting ballots for the city election were certified as being those of duly registered voters of the city of Melrose.

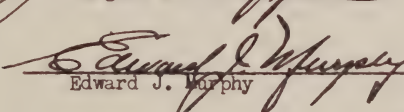
Following the city election a recount was made of the votes cast in the three precincts of Ward Seven for the office of Ward Alderman.

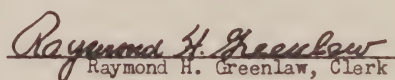
The total number of sessions held by the registrars during the year 1949 was 27.

The sum of \$441.00 was received for 588 copies of the street lists sold during the year.


Fergus W. Griffith, Chairman


Charles E. Holt


Edward J. Murphy


Raymond H. Greenlaw, Clerk

BOARD OF REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

REPORT OF CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

To His Honor the Mayor and the Honorable Board of Aldermen,
City Hall, Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

The Retirement Board of the Contributory System of the City
of Melrose respectfully submits its 13th annual report covering
the transactions of the System for the year ended Dec. 31, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward F. Donovan Chairman
Robert L. Hutchinson
Martin J. Thompson Secretary

Board of Retirement.

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

CITY OF MELROSE

Statement of Income and Disbursements
for the Year ended December 31, 1949

Amount of ledger assets Dec. 31, 1948

294,879.02

	INCOME	
From members:		
Regular Contributions:		
Group A	25,270.94	
Group B	<u>7,519.93</u>	32,790.87
Voluntary additional contributions:		
Group A	1,880.62	
Group B	158.36	
Late Entry Payments	<u>18.40</u>	2,057.38
Re-deposits:		
Group A	<u>273.40</u>	273.40
Transfer of members' accounts from other systems:		
Group A	<u>189.96</u>	189.96
From Employer:		
Contributions to Pension Fund	22,473.74	
Contributions for expenses	<u>700.00</u>	23,173.74
From Interest:		
Gross interest on bonds and dividends on stocks, less \$24.31 accrued interest on bonds acquired during the year:	8,916.04	
Gross interest on cooperative shares less \$64.05 accrued interest on shares acquired during the year	303.25	
Gross interest on deposits in trust companies and banks	<u>36.00</u>	
Total Interest		9,255.29
Accrued interest on investments, Dec. 31, 1949		2,991.41
Gross increase, by adjustment, of ledger assets		
Bonds, by amortization	3.00	
Stocks	<u>860.00</u>	863.00
Total Income		

TOTAL AVAILABLE RECEIPTS

71,615.05
366,494.07

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity payments:		
Regular: Group A	953.69	
Group B	<u>16.61</u>	970.30
Ordinary and accidental disability:		
Group A	253.73	
Group B	<u>73.80</u>	327.53
Additional on account of voluntary contributions		
Group A	<u>35.00</u>	35.00
Annuity payments of deceased annuitants:		
	<u>749.76</u>	749.76
Pension Payments:		
Group A	16,314.97	
Group B	<u>724.56</u>	17,039.53
Ordinary and accidental disability pension payments:		
Group A	3,336.84	
Group B	<u>3,326.76</u>	6,663.60
Refunds:		
Withdrawals from annuity Savings Fund:		
Deaths: Group A	827.94	
All Others: Group A	<u>3,101.74</u>	3,929.68
Transfers of Members' accounts to other systems:		
Group A	<u>495.02</u>	495.02
Administrative Expenses		740.17
Accrued Interest on Bonds, Dec.31,1948		2,758.50
Gross decrease, by adjustments, of ledger assets:		
Bonds, by amortisation	146.86	
Stocks	<u>200.00</u>	<u>346.86</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		34,056.00
Ledger Assets December 31, 1949	BALANCE	<u>332,438.07</u>
TOTAL		<u><u>366,494.07</u></u>

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1949

<u>Assets</u>		<u>Liabilities</u>	
Book Value of:			
Bonds	279,723.51		179,975.32
Stocks	<u>27,530.00</u>		
Book Value of Co-operative			
Shares		Annuity Savings Fund	13,917.94
Deposits in trust companies and		Annuity Reserve Fund	4,555.02
banks not on interest		Special Fund for Military Service Credit	133,805.79
Deposits in trust companies and		Pensions Fund	184.00
banks on interest		Expense Fund	
Accrued Interest on Bonds	1,800.00		
	<u>2,880.91</u>		
Accrued interest on other Assets	110.50		
	<u>2,991.41</u>		
TOTAL LEDGER ASSETS	<u>332,438.07</u>	TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>332,438.07</u>

SCHEDULE OF BONDS - DECEMBER 31, 1949

	<u>Due</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Book Value</u> <u>Dec. 31, 49</u>
<u>Government</u>			
U. S. Savings, Series G	July 1955	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$3,000.00
" " " "	" 1956	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Feb. 1957	"	5,000.00
" " " "	June 1957	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Feb. 1958	"	5,000.00
" " " "	July 1958	"	7,000.00
" " " "	Mar. 1958	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Dec. 1958	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Feb. 1959	"	5,000.00
" " " "	" 1959	"	24,000.00
" " " "	July 1959	"	3,000.00
" " " "	Oct. 1959	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Nov. 1959	"	4,000.00
" " " "	Feb. 1960	"	25,000.00
" " " "	Dec. 1960	"	5,000.00
" " " "	Jan. 1961	"	3,000.00
" " " "	Oct. 1961	"	5,000.00
Total Government			\$119,000.00
<u>Railroads</u>			
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe	Oct. 1995	4	3,225.80
" " " "	" "	4	1,075.27
" " " "	" "	4	1,075.27
Cambria and Clearfield	Feb. 1955	4	2,049.90
" " " "	Feb. 1955	4	1,024.94
" " " "	Feb. 1955	4	2,049.90
Chesapeake and Ohio	Mar. 1992	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	6,110.70
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy	Aug. 1985	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	4,021.35
Erie	Oct. 1964	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	5,202.56
Great Northern	Jan. 2010	2 $\frac{5}{8}$	6,743.58
" " " "	Jan. 2000	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	993.72
" " " "	Jan. 2000	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	5,962.32
Lexington and Eastern	Apr. 1965	5	3,447.32
" " " "	" "	5	2,278.22
Louisville and Nashville	" 2003	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	4,930.98
New York Central and Hudson	July 1997	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,922.90
" " " "	" 1997	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,922.90
" " " "	" 1997	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4,922.89
Northern Pacific	Jan. 1997	4	5,974.92
" " " "	Jan. 1997	4	3,983.24
Oregon and Washington	Oct. 1960	3	5,101.50
Reading Company	May 1995	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	5,006.31
Southern Pacific	Jan. 1986	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	5,096.19
" " " "	Jan. 1996	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5,000.00
Texas Pacific	June 2000	5	1,097.21
" " " "	" 2000	5	1,097.21
Virginia	" 2000	5	1,097.21
" " " "	May 1995	3	5,322.76
Total Railroads			105,707.07
<u>Utilities</u>			
American Tel. & Tel.	Oct. 1982	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5,032.05
Boston Edison	Dec. 1970	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	4,083.33
Central Maine Power	May 1976	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5,094.25
New Jersey Tel. Co.	July 1988	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	5,271.95
Northern Indiana	Aug. 1973	3 $\frac{1}{8}$	4,097.82
Ohio Public Service	June 1976	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5,046.94
Pacific Tel. and Tel.	Oct. 1986	2 $\frac{7}{8}$	5,191.14
Public Service of N. H.	Jan. 1973	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	5,362.10
Seattle Gas	Jan. 1976	3 $\frac{5}{8}$	2,094.94
" " " "	" 1976	3 $\frac{5}{8}$	5,237.36
Wisconsin Power and Light	Aug. 1971	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	2,108.40
" " " "	" 1971	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	3,162.60
Wisconsin Public Service	" 1971	3 $\frac{1}{4}$	5,233.56
Total Utilities			57,016.44

TOTAL BONDS

\$279,723.51

SCHEDULE OF STOCKS - DECEMBER 31, 1949

	No. of Shares	Par Value Per Share	Actual Cost	Market Value Dec. 31, 1949
First National Bank - Boston	30	N/P	1361.25	1440.00
" " "	70	"	3342.50	3360.00
" " "	100	"	5425.00	4800.00
Merchants National Bank - Boston	10	100.00	3250.00	3250.00
Middlesex County National Bank	100	10.00	3700.00	4200.00
National Shawmut Bank - Boston	60	12.50	1365.00	1740.00
" " "	40	12.50	1320.00	1160.00
" " "	20	12.50	475.00	580.00
Newton Maltham Bank and Trust Co.	35	10.00	1347.50	1925.00
" " " "	15	10.00	990.00	825.00
Second National Bank of Boston	20	N/P	2480.00	2480.00
Security Trust Co. of Lynn	30	20.00	2340.00	1770.00
Total Stocks			26996.25	27530.00

SCHEDULE OF CO-OPERATIVE BANK SHARES - DECEMBER 31, 1949

	No. of Shares	Par Value Per Share	Actual Cost	Market Value Dec. 31, 1949
Beverly Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Hyannis Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Malden Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Mattapan Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Meeting House Hill Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Melrose Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Middleborough Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
Wellesley Co-operative Bank	10	200.00	2000.00	2000.00
			16000.00	16000.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Former Position</u>	<u>Date of Retirement</u>	<u>Length of Service</u>	<u>Age at Retirement</u>	<u>Annual Annuity</u>	<u>Annual Pensions</u>	<u>Total Annual Ret. Allowance</u>	<u>Received 1949</u>
Albert J. Waghorne	Asst. Supt.	Oct. 26, 1947	11 yrs.	76 yrs.		1,447.50	1,447.50	1,447.50
Charles C. Carey	Guardian	Dec. 1, 1937	25	76		1,202.32	1,202.32	1,202.32
Michael J. Hanley	Dog Officer	Sept. 28, 1937	38	72		680.00	680.00	680.00
Hattie D. Hal	Librarian	Nov. 27, 1937	16	70	2.75	677.25	680.00	680.00
Arthur A. Hayden	Ed. of Health	Dec. 19, 1938	18	70	3.36	233.97	233.33	233.33
Harry M. Wilson	Linemen	Apr. 15, 1938	10	63	4.72	400.10	404.82	134.92*
Charles W. Shattuck	School Janitor	June 30, 1939	8	75		680.00	680.00	680.00
Andrew W. H. Restall	Clerk	June 30, 1939	13	73		680.00	680.00	680.00
Ralph Hallahan	Truck Driver	Oct. 20, 1940	16	37	12.84	1,012.24	1,025.08	1,025.08
John J. Keating	Registrar	Apr. 2, 1941	30	70	5.53	327.80	333.33	81.78**
Everard C. Martin	Laborer	June 29, 1941	15	64	33.01	949.32	982.33	982.33
George K. Stewart	Call Fireman	Dec. 3, 1941	40	65	5.73	328.40	334.13	334.13
Dennis J. Murphy	Foreman	Sept. 2, 1942	39	66	88.67	1,411.33	1,500.00	1,500.00
Arthur H. Bright	Janitor	Oct. 8, 1942	6	70	12.82	637.18	680.00	680.00
Myrtle S. Meriam	Hl tht Sch. Nurse	Feb. 16, 1943	24	70	69.57	933.42	1,002.99	1,002.99
Lawrence Riordan	Foreman	Mar. 25, 1944	35	70	98.22	1,136.14	1,234.66	1,234.66
Percy C. Gates	Call Fireman	May 13, 1944	11	65	3.92	239.18	242.40	242.40
Bertha C. Lapham	Clerk	June 5, 1944	11	70	66.55	613.45	680.00	680.00
Victor H. Kirnes	Laborer	Nov. 26, 1944	27	57	18.10	1,015.08	1,063.18	1,063.18
Walter H. Flanders	School Physician	Mar. 24, 1945	16	70	49.32	630.68	680.00	680.00
Ross H. Worth	School Janitor	Mar. 1, 1946	25	68	90.12	1,163.88	1,254.00	1,254.00
Fred C. Fellows	Call Fireman	Apr. 1, 1946	23	67	6.96	157.68	164.64	164.64
Phillip Cassell	Laborer	May 3, 1946	30	67	62.88	998.76	1,061.64	1,061.64
George H. Gray	Superintendent	June 3, 1946	32	66	11.16	686.52	727.68	727.68
Eugene F. McCarthy	Foreman	Apr. 3, 1946	32	64	61.88	941.40	1,006.08	741.40
Arthur J. Burke	Laborer	Jan. 22, 1947	11	54	66.60	1,047.48	1,114.08	66.60
Edmund M. Paky	Clerk	July 13, 1947	21	69	79.92	980.28	1,060.20	1,128.79
Lillian B. Warren	Laborer	Mar. 31, 1948	26	70	96.24	1,007.88	1,104.12	1,104.12
John E. Grace	Secretary	June 30, 1948	13	70	89.28	416.88	506.16	506.16
Ethel M. Hewson	Clerk	Oct. 1, 1948	25	43	93.96	357.16	347.16	347.16
Margaret E. Struzziery	Patrolman	Sept. 15, 1948	25	44	65.76	289.12	422.88	422.88
George K. Lyons	Patrolman	Sept. 25, 1948	10	40	61.32	2,286.72	2,288.04	2,288.04
Paul V. DeFranco	Librarian	May 5, 1947	4	43	12.48	1,100.04	1,112.52	1,112.52
Mary E. Ayers		Sept. 1, 1949	22	67	190.56	657.00	847.56	282.92
TOTALS								25,785.77
								28,782.83

* Deceased 4/30/49
 ** " 3/29/49
 *** " 5/9/49
 **** Difference due to Compensation Offsets

SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP - FOR 1949

ACTIVE MEMBERS

	<u>Group A</u>		<u>Group B</u>	<u>Members in</u>	<u>Total</u>
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>		<u>Both Groups</u>	<u>Membership</u>
Active Membership, Dec. 31, 1948	160	44	42	1	246
Enrolled during 1949	21	5	15	1	41
Transfers from inactive membership	1	—	—	—	1
Totals	182	49	57	2	288
Deduct, ceased by:					
Withdrawal	11	2		1	13
Death	1				1
Retirement for:					
Superannuation		1			1
Transfers to inactive membership	2	—	2	1	4
Total Deductions	14	3	2	1	19
Active Membership, Dec. 31, 1949	168	46	55	1	269

INACTIVE MEMBERS

Inactive Membership, Dec. 31, 1948	29	10	5		44
Retirements for:					
Superannuation		1			1
Transfers from Active Membership	2	—	2		4
Total	31	11	7		49
Deduct, ceased by:					
Death	4				4
Withdrawal	3	2			5
Transfer to Active Membership	0	0	0		0
Total Deductions	7	2	0		9
Inactive Membership, Dec. 31, 1949	24	9	7		40

TOTAL ACTIVE AND INACTIVE MEMBERSHIP FOR DEC. 31, 1949

Total Membership Dec. 31, 1949	192	55	62	1	309
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

CITY OF MELROSE

Year Ending December 31, 1949

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

TABLE I

School Year	School Census	No. of different pupils enrolled in elementary schools exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of different pupils enrolled in High School exclusive of re-enrollment	Average membership in elementary schools	Average membership in High School	Average attendance in elementary schools	Average attendance in High School	No. of graduates from High School	No. of graduates from grammar schools
1922-23	3,079	2,570	715	2,447.18	736.37	2,259.76	705.92	111	177
1923-24	3,244	2,548	790	2,423.27	803.62	2,292.52	774.46	136	239
1924-25	3,657	2,564	888	2,497.10	831.69	2,345.91	798.18	167	228
1925-26	3,700	2,645	911	2,528.00	870.46	2,356.61	841.42	177	222
1926-27	3,695	2,708	945	2,609.63	915.44	2,494.89	892.57	169	230
1927-28		2,771	1,023	2,709.62	978.06	2,562.24	943.52	183	299
1928-29		2,854	1,087	2,789.19	1,065.85	2,611.80	1,009.23	218	240
1929-30		2,970	1,116	2,877.79	1,076.33	2,714.84	1,028.85	192	251
1930-31		3,006	1,136	2,941.75	1,130.88	2,788.58	1,080.71	225	274
1931-32		3,002	1,223	2,917.76	1,206.61	2,754.75	1,150.69	249	282
1932-33		3,025	1,327	2,916.32	1,257.65	2,753.65	1,195.28	245	261
1933-34		2,980	1,359	2,894.60	1,289.62	2,727.04	1,231.48	267	286
1934-35		2,984	1,377	2,923.17	1,343.75	2,760.98	1,272.90	283	295
1935-36		2,897	1,426	2,831.15	1,371.61	2,698.33	1,311.57	285	298
1936-37		2,985	1,423	2,872.31	1,371.29	2,715.12	1,313.28	271	325
1937-38		2,923	1,438	2,827.05	1,424.60	2,678.43	1,359.30	324	308
1938-39		2,743	1,522	2,697.30	1,468.37	2,567.96	1,375.61	318	259
1939-40		2,785	1,453	2,732.18	1,429.19	2,612.83	1,363.96	331	286
1940-41		2,702	1,414	2,675.99	1,379.13	2,539.31	1,311.52	302	296
1941-42		2,695	1,392	2,610.29	1,365.20	2,464.33	1,290.64	332	320
1942-43		2,648	1,308	2,569.75	1,249.51	2,371.82	1,168.83	265	335
1943-44		2,546	1,249	2,474.18	1,216.49	2,295.41	1,135.55	288	311
1944-45		2,452	1,220	2,391.13	1,193.39	2,230.73	1,125.37	269	296
1945-46		2,532	1,223	2,447.29	1,175.46	2,287.43	1,106.65	261	325
1946-47		2,486	1,237	2,419.63	1,203.70	2,259.02	1,139.01	265	247
1947-48		2,485	1,159	2,419.45	1,133.40	2,265.17	1,070.04	283	257
1948-49		2,543	1,094	2,515.75	1,073.86	2,345.14	1,021.50	280	277

TABLE II
Percentage of Pupils Belonging June, 1949, Who Failed of Promotion

Schools	G R A D E S								Total Av'ge Percent Failed
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Coolidge	3.29	3.57	0.00	3.22	0.00	0.00	1.29	.64	1.50
Franklin		1.92	4.10	3.17	3.33	4.00			3.30
Gooch	3.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			.57
Lincoln	0.00	3.77	0.00	3.56	2.32	0.00	4.54	3.63	3.60
Ripley	4.16	6.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			1.80
Roosevelt					3.39	2.08	3.86	1.45	2.69
Warren	0.00	5.12	3.03	2.62					2.69
Washington	9.83	0.00	7.69	5.55	3.12	2.77			4.82
Whittier	3.40	0.00							1.70
Winthrop	1.69	2.97	6.66	0.00	6.06	0.00			2.89
	3.22	2.55	2.68	2.26	2.52	1.10	6.56	1.90	2.56

Schools	Percentage of Pupils Belonging June, 1949, Who Were Conditioned								Total Av'ge Percent Cond'd.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Coolidge	0.00	7.14	3.84	9.67	3.33	4.00	10.32	9.03	6.16
Franklin		0.00	2.74	6.34	0.00	20.00			5.81
Gooch	3.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			.59
Lincoln	2.00	1.88	1.86	3.56	6.97	6.45	16.36	16.36	6.94
Ripley	0.00	0.00	6.66	3.00	10.00	0.00			2.77
Roosevelt					5.09	10.41	10.88	1.45	6.95
Warren	0.00	5.12	6.06	10.52					5.42
Washington	1.63	5.71	3.84	2.77	3.12	0.00			2.84
Whittier	1.13	0.00							.56
Winthrop	6.94	2.97	8.33	6.66	0.00	7.69			5.43
	1.69	2.53	4.16	4.94	3.56	6.07	12.52	8.95	4.34

TABLE III
Percentage of Pupils Who Failed of Promotion
1945-1949

Grades	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949	Total Ave. Percent Failed
I	7.66	4.68	4.73	5.40	1.89	4.87
II	5.51	4.59	4.73	3.74	2.53	4.20
III	1.00	8.04	6.30	4.14	4.16	4.72
IV	3.22	3.15	6.26	5.05	4.94	4.52
V	1.27	2.39	3.11	5.55	3.56	3.17
VI	2.74	7.78	5.85	5.39	6.07	5.56
VII	9.22	6.29	8.17	3.43	12.52	7.92
VIII	1.99	2.73	3.76	6.34	8.95	4.75
Total Average	4.08	4.96	5.36	4.88	4.34	4.72

Percentage of Pupils Who Were Conditioned
1945-1949

I	4.42	1.46	1.66	2.18	3.22	2.59
II	4.19	2.26	.82	2.81	2.55	2.52
III	7.05	3.45	4.01	4.83	2.63	4.40
IV	9.14	4.07	6.66	7.43	2.26	5.92
V	6.17	4.47	6.27	6.24	2.52	5.13
VI	15.77	7.70	11.43	6.88	1.10	6.57
VII	14.83	9.95	10.65	11.45	6.56	10.68
VIII	11.73	6.82	7.29	6.12	1.90	6.77
Total Average	9.16	5.02	5.41	6.00	2.56	5.63

TABLE IV

Showing Total Enrollment by Ages and Grades as of October 1, 1949

Age	Spec. and Pre Voc.	G R A D E S												PG	Total
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
5 yrs. Old(5 to 6)		122													122
6 yrs. Old (6 to 7)		252	104												356
7 yrs. Old		11	224	102	1										338
8 yrs. Old			18	220	102										340
9 yrs. Old	1			24	189	89									294
10 yrs. Old	2			2	28	177	95								304
11 yrs. Old	3			1	4	37	153	73	1						272
12 yrs. Old	4				1	4	27	165	97	1					299
13 yrs. Old	7					4	10	39	157	64	2				283
14 yrs. Old	7							6	30	155	81	1			280
15 yrs. Old	7							3	13	53	133	52	1		262
16 yrs. Old	1									14	40	124	64		243
17 yrs. Old								1	3	11	39	130	2		186
18 yrs. Old										4		11	43	2	60
19 yrs. Old												1	9	1	11
20 and over												2	3		5
	39	365	345	349	316	311	285	286	299	290	271	230	250	6	3655

TABLE V
FINANCIAL SUMMARY - JANUARY 1, 1949 to JANUARY 1, 1950

	Asked for by School Committee	Approp. by Board of Aldermen	Plus or Minus Transfers and Credits	Net Appropriations	Expenditures	Balances
Salaries	\$653,531.00	\$653,531.00	- 9,500.00	\$644,031.00	\$643,998.15	\$ 32.85
Other General Expenses	6,440.00	6,440.00	✓ 800.00	7,240.00	7,237.95	2.15
Textbooks and Supplies	29,225.00	29,225.00	✓ 4,703.13	33,928.13	33,909.37	18.76
Plant-Maintenance and Operation	92,312.00	92,312.00	✓ 3,905.80	96,217.80	96,139.28	78.52
	\$781,508.00	\$781,508.00	- \$ 91.07	\$781,416.93	\$781,284.65	\$ 132.28
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS						
Adult Education	\$ 3,740.00	\$ 3,740.00	✓ \$453.00	\$ 4,193.00	\$ 4,173.68	\$ 19.32
Out-of-State Travel	250.00	250.00	-	250.00	229.52	20.48
Developing Girls' Hockey Field	15,000.00	15,000.00	-	15,000.00	8,043.77	6,956.23
Horace Mann School Furnishings	30,000.00	30,000.00	- 5,972.00	24,028.00	3,868.45	20,159.55
Carried over from 1949						
Franklin School Repairs	625.00	625.00	-	625.00	625.00	-
High School Oil Burner	1,500.00	1,500.00	-	1,500.00	1,500.00	-
	\$ 51,115.00	\$ 51,115.00	- 5,519.00	\$ 45,596.00	\$ 18,440.42	\$27,155.58
Grand Total	\$832,623.00	\$832,623.00	- 5,610.07	\$827,012.93	\$799,735.07	\$27,287.86

TABLE VI

Cost per Pupil, Average Membership, Fiscal Year 1949

	<u>High</u>	<u>Elementary</u>
General Control	\$ 5,673.10	\$ 13,689.02
General Control, per pupil	5.38	5.38
Teachers' Salaries	216,309.14	364,850.86
Teachers' Salaries, per pupil . . .	205.09	143.75
Textbooks	5,038.01	7,976.11
Textbooks, per pupil	4.77	3.14
Supplies	8,526.42	12,368.83
Supplies, per pupil	8.04	4.87
Operation of School Plant	24,095.14	63,952.39
Operation of School Plant, per pupil	22.84	25.20
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	8,282.21	39,721.07
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds, per pupil	7.85	15.65
New Furniture and Furnishings . . .	89.07	4,134.53
New Furniture and Furnishings, per pupil	.08	1.63
Other Expenses	946.30	589.76
Other Expenses, per pupil	.90	.23
Tuition - Vocational and Evening Schools	\$4,100.52	
Transportation	\$ 955.50	

TABLE VII

Showing Enrollment, Attendance, etc., for the School Year Ending June 30, 1949

1. By Schools

School	No. of different pupils enrolled exclusive of re-enrollment	No. of		Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of	
		Boys	Girls			Attendance	Attendance
High	1094	550	544	1073.86	1021.50	95.17	
Coolidge	499	260	239	487.30	456.92	83.72	
Franklin	264	125	129	248.92	233.90	92.67	
Gooch	184	92	92	172.76	157.67	91.64	
Lincoln	403	211	197	395.89	369.42	93.17	
Ripley	86	53	33	85.91	80.46	94.15	
Roosevelt	266	143	143	279.98	263.49	94.19	
Warren	142	59	83	141.10	132.09	92.28	
Washington	239	129	100	221.89	203.96	91.82	
Whittier	117	61	56	114.96	105.50	91.79	
Winthrop	374	197	177	365.24	340.64	93.44	
	3611	1846	1765	3529.69	3331.61	94.08	

2. By Grades

Grade	No. of		Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of	
	Boys	Girls			Attendance	Attendance
Post Graduate	7					
Senior	282	140	5.91	5.64	95.47	
Junior	267	134	280.67	268.75	95.75	
Sophomore	259	123	257.61	243.47	94.51	
Freshmen	251	126	254.06	241.32	94.98	
Fifth	238	143	275.61	262.32	95.18	
Sixth	304	154	284.86	268.75	94.36	
Seventh	304	154	307.61	289.22	94.00	
Eighth	302	139	259.79	246.92	95.15	
Ninth	282	141	292.94	275.97	94.30	
Tenth	289	147	287.48	271.79	93.69	
Eleventh	321	164	315.46	298.01	93.05	
Twelfth	346	166	347.18	320.50	92.25	
First	333	189	330.49	344.50	90.41	
	3611	1846	3529.69	3331.61	94.08	

TABLE VIII
Number of Teachers in Different Departments
January 1, 1950

High

Number full-time teachers - women	27
Number full-time teachers (excluding Principal) - men	26
Number full-time principals	1
Number part-time teachers - women	0
Number part-time teachers - men	1
Number medical advisors	1

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Elementary

Number full-time women teachers (excluding non- teaching principals	97
Number full-time men teachers	6
Number non-teaching principals - women	4
Number non-teaching principals - men	0
Number special teachers and supervisors - women	5
Number part-time teachers - men	1
Number part-time teachers - women	0

113

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TABLE IX

Report of Attendance Officer
September 1948 to June 1949

Number of cases investigated	36
Number of visits made.	35
Number found ill.	6
Number found truants	17
Number tardy.	5
Number left school.	1

TABLE X

Average Age of Pupils in the Different Grades
October 1, 1949

Primary:

Grade 1	6 years, 2 months
Grade 2	7 years, 2 months
Grade 3	8 years, 2 months
Grade 4	9 years, 3 months

Grammar:

Grade 5	10 years, 5 months
Grade 6	11 years, 6 months
Grade 7	12 years, 5 months
Grade 8	13 years, 5 months

High:

Freshman	14 years, 6 months
Sophomore	15 years, 5 months
Junior	16 years, 6 months
Senior	17 years, 6 months
Post Graduates	18 years, 4 months

TABLE XI

Number of Children Enrolled in After-School Classes
November 1, 1949

Piano	76
Violin.	16
Band (2 & 3 yr)	24
Band (beginners). . . .	62
Art.	16

GENERAL STATISTICS

Population of Melrose (January 1, 1949)	27,928
Number of different pupils enrolled, exclusive of re-enrollment school year 1948-49	3,637
Number in High School	1,094
Number in Elementary Schools	2,543
Total approved school bills, fiscal year (Support) .	\$781,284.65
Amount expended for High School, fiscal year 1949 (exclusive of General Control)	\$263,286.29
Cost per pupil in High School, based upon average membership Jan.1,1949 to Jan.1,1950 (1055)	\$249.56
Amount expended for Elementary Schools, fiscal year 1949 (exclusive of General Control)	\$494,521.55
Cost per pupil in Elementary Schools, based upon average membership Jan.1,1949 to Jan.1,1950 (2538)	\$194.84
Amount expended for tuition)vocational schools) . .	\$4,100.52
Number full-time High School teachers, including Principal, Jan. 1, 1950	54
Number full-time Elementary teachers, including principals, Jan. 1, 1950	112

DENTAL REPORT OF HEALTH TEACHER
School Year 1948-1949

Number of individual inspections	3,236
Number of notices sent.	850
Number of home calls	94
Number visits to Forsyth Dental Infirmary.	16
Number restorations.	416
Number children x-rayed	11
Number surgical cases.	60
Number children treated.	76
Number mouths completely rehabilitated	36

NUMBER OF EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATES ISSUED

January 1949 to December 1949

Age 16 to 21	Boys	124	296
	Girls	<u>172</u>	
	Total		
Age 14 to 16	Full time	Boys	1
		Girls	<u>0</u>
			1
Out of school hours		Boys	3
		Girls	<u>0</u>
			3

INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL BUILDINGS
Melrose, Massachusetts

<u>Name</u>	<u>When Built</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
Whittier	1884	\$ 32,000
Gooch	1886	105,000
Warren	1892	47,800
Franklin	1896	118,900
Lincoln	1896	316,700
Washington	1896	211,100
Coolidge	1897	527,300
Roosevelt	1924	230,500
Ripley	1924	128,111
Winthrop	1926	235,000
High	1933	1,142,222

MELROSE HIGH SCHOOL HIGH HONOR LIST
(All A averages for four years)

Cynthia Hayward Cochrane

HONOR LIST

(All A and B averages for four years)

Richard Alan Burr
Joan Patricia Crowley
Janice Ruth Ehrenborg
Ruth Norma Griffin
Beverlee Mae Herne
Joanne Thayer Hersey
Robert Bigelow Holmes
Richard Sheldon Lindstrom
Vivian M. Lundquist
Marguerite L. Macneil
Jean MacDonald
Nancy C. Mickler

John William Peterson
Franklin Randlett
Stuart Edmond Robinson
Janet Virginia Rourke
Martha Lawrence Seaver
Earl E. Sigsbury, Jr.
Hugh R. Snow, Jr.
David G. Todd
Jeanne Marie Travalini
Joan Waltermire
R. Nancy Wells
Joan Woodward

PRIZES AWARDED JUNE 1949

Levi Gould Medal

Cynthia Hayward Cochrane

The Washington and Franklin Certificate and
Social Studies Book
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal
The Bausch and Lomb Optical Company award
Daughters of the American Revolution
"Good Citizen" award
Melrose Highlands Woman's Club award
Ruth Ansell Morrison award
Ruth Pauline Nixon award
The Wing Musical award
The Robert Nordstrom award
Harvard Book
Fred W. Green, Jr. award
Psi Theta Xi Sorority
Melrose Teachers' Club Scholarship
Melrose High School Parent-Teachers'
Association four scholarships

Cynthia H. Cochrane
Richard S. Lindstrom
Richard S. Lindstrom

Theo M. Fogg
Grace A. Charles
Theo M. Fogg
Jean McDonald
Jean McDonald
Beverlee Mae Herne
Calvin J. Collins
Charles G. Pulsford
Nancy C. Mickler
Elaine M. Hammerstrom

The Pond Field Club Scholarship
The Omicron Delta Fraternity Scholarship

Franklin Randlett
Joanne T. Hersey
Earl E. Sigsbury, Jr.
Theo M. Fogg
Janice R. Ehrenborg
Raymond S. Thorndike

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To His Honor, the Mayor, and the
Honorable Board of Aldermen

Gentlemen:

The report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the
year 1949 follows:

Weighing and Measuring Devices

	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Scales	48	270		
Weights		203	1	
Capacity Measures		111		
Auto. Measuring Devices	31	113		
Linear Measures		18		
Totals	79	715	1	

Trial Weighings and Measurements

Commodities sold and put up for sale
(including bulk fuel, solids) 111

Inspections

Fibre cartons, coal certif. milk and cream jars,
fuel meter (liquids), markings of bread and cake,
egg packages, foods in packages, coal in paper
bags, clinical thermometers, pedlers' scales
and licenses, junk scales, etc. etc. 165

Equipment, in quantity and value, approximately
the same as at end of 1948

Cost of Department

Salaries	\$1700.00
Other Expenses	265.00
	\$1965.00

Receipts of Department

Fees, Sealing	\$295.34
Licenses	40.00
	\$335.34

Respectfully submitted,

Wesley H. Murray
Wesley H. Murray
Sealer

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS AND SERVICES

To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen
City of Melrose, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith the following report of the Department
of Veterans' Benefits for the year ending December 31,
1949.

General Administration Salaries and Wages

Appropriation:

Budget..... \$3,980.40

Expended:

Salaries.....	\$3,980.40	
	\$3,980.40	\$3,980.40

General Administration Other Expenses

Appropriation:

Budget..... \$ 800.00

Expended:

Bills.....	\$ 799.94	
Balance.....	.06	
	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00

Veterans' Benefits

(One half of State approvals to be re-imbursed to city)

Appropriation:

Budget.....	\$13,000.00
Transfer Orders.....	3,000.00
Refunds.....	117.85

Expended:

Treasurer's Payrolls.....	\$15,859.16	
Balance.....	258.69	
	\$16,117.85	\$16,117.85

Veterans' Burials

Appropriation:

Budget:..... \$200.00

Expended:

Balance.....		\$200.00
	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. Leslie Trickey
H. Leslie Trickey

REPORT OF THE WIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor
and Board of Aldermen,
Melrose, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen;

I herewith submit the following report of the Wire Department for the year 1949.

Fire Alarm System.

Thirteen hundred and fourteen inspections were made of box movements.
Four miles of weatherproof wire were pulled in.
Ten new boxes were purchased.
All boxes were painted fire alarm red.

Police Signal System.

Sixty one lamps were replaced in red lights.
Four hundred and one batteries were replaced at Police Headquarters.
One hundred and eight batteries were installed in police boxes.
Six miles of iron and three miles of copper wire were pulled in.
All boxes were painted.

Traffic Signals.

Two hundred and five lamps were replaced.
Eighty five inspections were made on timers.
All posts and controls were painted.

Inspection of Wires.

Fifteen hundred and thirty inspections were made on new work.
Six hundred and twenty five inspections were made on oil burner wiring.
Two hundred and ten inspections were made after correction cards had been sent out.
Two hundred and ten permits were issued to the Malden Electric Co allowing current to be turned on.

Respectfully submitted,
Fred A. Edwards
Fred A. Edwards
Inspector of Wires.

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